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## NEWS BRIEFS

### HELLO 'LIFESAVERS LEAGUE:' DPH TO OFFER NEW EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CLASSES

The Revere Department of Public Health Emergency Preparedness Unit is proud to present the start of Revere's 'Lifesavers League,' a series of community-based classes and programs aimed at preparing the Revere community for all types of emergencies. These courses will focus on emergency preparedness topics that affect Revere, and will be taught by members of the Department of Public Health, Revere Fire Department, and the American Red Cross.

- Classes will include:
- Hands-only CPR
  - BeReady – from the Red Cross
  - Fire Safety and Prevention
  - Importance of Rental Insurance
  - Family Preparedness in the face of a climate emergency

Accessibility is a major priority for all programming through the 'Lifesavers League,' with most classes being offered in multiple languages, and child-care being offered during most classes. The first class (Hands-only CPR and BeReady) will be taught by the American Red Cross in both English and Spanish.

The inaugural 'Lifesavers

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## CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



Mayor Patrick Keefe Jr., Chief of Staff Claudia Y. Correa, and City of Revere Human Resources celebrated International Women's Day on Monday, Mar. 10 with municipal staff.

## Project manager provides update on high school progress

By Adam Swift

The new Revere High School project at Wonderland is on budget and on schedule, with demolition work on the site scheduled to begin later this summer, according to the owner's project manager.

Brian Dakin of the firm Leftfield gave the latest update on the project at Monday night's city council meeting.

Independent estimators from both the general contractor and the design firm both determined that the total project cost of ap-

proximately \$493 million for the new school remains unchanged. The Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) will be reimbursing the city for a portion of the total cost of the project. In addition, the city authorized spending \$29.5 million for the eminent domain taking of the 30-acre plus Wonderland property in 2022.

"I'm happy to say that we have reconciled these estimates and they are on budget, in fact, they are a fraction of a percent under

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## License Comm. addresses noise complaints; inspection violations

By Journal Staff

The Revere License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 19, in the City Council Chambers. On hand for the session were chair Robert Selevitch and fellow members Dan Occena and Liliana Monroy.

The first item on the agenda was a request from Motivation Wellness Club, LLC d/b/a Motivation, 220 Broadway, Gelusia Zarifullina, manager, for an entertainment license as part of the fitness center's operations. The requested entertainment was for wide-screen cable TV and recorded music.

After a brief discussion

with Ms. Zarifullina, who is one of the owners of the business, the commission unanimously approved granting the requested entertainment license, which will be used to enhance the club's fitness classes.

Next up was an application from Hot Dog Au Au Corp., d/b/a Boss Hot Dogs, 750 Washington Ave., Ileinei Almeida de Oliveira, manager, for a change of hours to Monday–Wednesday 7 a.m.–12 a.m., Thursday–Sunday 7 a.m.–3 a.m. The current operating hours are Sunday – Saturday 4 p.m.–12 a.m.

The representatives for the applicant told the commission that the purpose of

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## ANNUAL RAMADAN IFTAR DINNER



COURTESY PHOTO

Shown from right to left at the Iftar dinner held on March 7 are City Councillor-at-Large Juan Pablo Jaramillo, School Committee member Anthony Caggiano, State Sen. Lydia Edwards, State Rep. Jeff Turco, Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna, Asmaa Aboufada, State Rep. Jessica Giannino, Mayor Patrick Keefe, Ward 5 City Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Ward 6 City Councillor Chris Giannino, Ward 2 City Councillor Ira Novoselsky, and Police Chief Dave Callahan. See more photos on Page 11.

## READ ACROSS AMERICA AT RPL



DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS

Shown above, Library Board members, staff, and patrons come together to celebrate National Reading Day at the Revere Public Library. Shown right, Revere City Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya reads How To Catch A Leprechaun, to highlight the upcoming Spring holiday. See more photos on Page 4.

## Families of women found dead in Belize urge transparent investigation

By Adam Swift

The families of the three Revere women who were found dead in a resort hotel room in Belize last month released a statement this week saying the details around the women's deaths remain unclear and suspicious.

The cause of death for the victims, identified as Wafae El Arar, 26, Kaoutar Naqqad, 23, and Imane Mallah, 24, was determined to be acute pulmonary edema, or a build up of fluid in the lungs, according to officials in Belize.

The three women were found dead in a Belize resort hotel room on Feb. 22. According to reports, the state's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner has accepted custody of the three bodies for autopsy, with the women's cause and manner of death remaining pending.

"The circumstances surrounding this tragedy remain unclear and suspicious, and we are seeking

answers to understand what happened in Belize," the families stated. "We urge the authorities in Belize and in the United States to conduct a thorough and transparent investigation so that we may find the truth and justice for Kaoutar, Imane and Wafae."

The families said they are grateful for the outpouring of love and support they have received during this heartbreaking time and ask for continued prayers, patience, and privacy as they navigate the profound sorrow.

In a statement released after the deaths of the three women, Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe said he heard widespread concern from the families and community members about the lack of transparency in this investigation, and the media narrative painted by Belizean authorities. He also vowed to "exhaust all avenues" in the U.S. and abroad to make sure there was a fair investi-

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# Revere's Skyla DeSimone soaring at Boston College

By Melissa Moore-Randall

Skyla DeSimone is leaving her footprint at Boston College. DeSimone is a double major studying Sociology and Studio Art, with a focus on Architecture along with a minor in Global Public Health.

Last month, Skyla was one of 5 students nominated to receive the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Committee Scholarship. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship recognizes a Boston College junior who has demonstrated superior academic achievement, extracurricular leadership, community service, and involvement with the African American community and African American issues both on and off campus.

In addition to her academic achievements, Skyla

is making a difference outside the classroom including a recent trip to Jamaica as part of Boston College's Jamaica Magis Service/Immersion Trip.

"My trip to Jamaica was truly a once in a lifetime experience. I had gone on this trip my freshman year with a group of Boston College students, organized by Father Michael Davidson. It was so eye opening and transformative, that I applied to be a student leader for this past Winter 2025 trip. I was able to lead the Magis experience alongside 3 other leaders and 22 more Boston College students."

"We served at the Holy Family Primary School in the heart of Kingston, a public school that many of the underprivileged children attend. Each of us were assigned to a classroom to

both serve the students and teacher. After school we'd travel to different parts of the island to interact with mustard seed communities and homes/shelters for abandoned children and elders. Much of our service is based on the ministry of presence. Simply being present is an expression of love and commitment to those we meant to serve. The people that we serve don't need our help. They don't need saving. All we are there to do is build connections and foster a loving community."

"The Jamaican people are the most unconditionally loving people I have ever encountered. The children were quick to trust us as strangers, letting their guard down immediately with our arrival to the school. All they wanted was our



Boston College junior Skyla DeSimone pictured with her mom Sheri and brother Vito.

guidance, love, and attention. Everyone in Jamaica is family. Every woman we met were our aunts, the

men were our uncles, and the kids were our cousins."

"I've learned more from the kids than they could

ever learn from me: be quick to love and trust. Don't be afraid to tell someone they mean something to you. When you are affirming someone's character or beauty, look them in the eye to let them know that you truly mean it. These words don't do justice to how special the island of Jamaica is, but it gives an idea of just how life-changing my time there was."

A 2022 graduate of Revere High School, Skyla is the daughter of Sheri DeSimone. Skyla graduated in the top 10% of her class while excelling in lacrosse, basketball, field hockey, and track and field. She is also a competitive CrossFit athlete, achieving an impressive top 2% ranking on the worldwide CrossFit leaderboard in 2024.

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the expansion of hours is to be able to serve breakfast in the early morning hours when there is a high demand, most of which is takeout.

"My concern is staying open until 3 a.m. on a Sunday night in a residential area could be a problem," said Selevitch. Occena suggested a 3 a.m. closing on Friday and Saturday nights, but keeping the present 12 a.m. closing on Sunday night. Monroy also echoed that point of view.

The commissioners unanimously voted to enact those hours.

The third application came from Nandlal Boodoosingh, d/b/a Singh's Roti Shop 2, 76 Revere Beach Boulevard, Nandlal Boodoosingh, manager, who was requesting a Common Victualler license with requested seating for 16 and requested hours from Sunday-Saturday 11 a.m.-9 p.m.

Mr. Boodoosingh said he will be serving Caribbean food (as well as rotis) on the beach in his new estab-

lishment, which is next door to Bill Ash's. Mr. Boodoosingh said he has been in business for 22 years and has an existing restaurant in Dorchester. When Occena asked, "Why Revere?" Mr. Boodoosingh replied, "I've lived in Revere for a while, so to open a restaurant here is the ultimate dream," adding that he has been operating as a pop-up at the Revere Beach Festival for the past 15 years.

The commissioners unanimously approved the application.

AAM Kelly's Revere, LLC, d/b/a Kelly's Roast Beef Revere, 410 Revere Beach Boulevard, Frank Carolan, manager, submitted an application for the transfer of a Common Victualler License from Kelly's Roast Beef, Inc., said license to be exercised at 410 Revere Beach Boulevard with requested hours of Sunday-Saturday 10 a.m.-11 p.m. and requested seating for the current 24 outside seats.

Lisa Whiteman, representing the new ownership, told the commissioners that

everything essentially will be remaining the same, though Carolan noted that the new ownership may try some new items.

The commissioners unanimously approved the application.

A new restaurant, The Gibson Point Restaurant, LLC, d/b/a Mila's, 1 Gibson Way, Suite 131, Michael Aldi, manager, submitted an application for an All Alcohol Restaurant License with requested hours from Sunday-Saturday 7 a.m.-12 a.m.. The requested seating is for 89 patrons inside and 50 outside and the requested entertainment is for wide-screen cable TV, radio, DJ, amplifiers, karaoke, vocal/instrumental music, and dancing by patrons.

Demick O'Brien, who owns three restaurants (including the Fine Line) in Revere, represented the applicant. He said that the morning would feature a coffee shop/bakery concept and then transition to a bar/restaurant in the afternoon. He said the food to be served will be healthier than what may be typical in the city. He also noted that the developer of Gibson Point will be constructing similar apartment buildings in the Greater Boston area and is viewing this restaurant as a prototype for those complexes.

Occena and Monroy expressed reservations about the scope of the entertainment license. Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya said she was satisfied with the requested 12 a.m. closing time, but suggested that there be no extension of those hours because of the proximity of the neighborhoods to the restaurant.

Occena suggested that the music should be required to stop at 11:30 and the commission approved the issuance of the license with that amendment.

The next item was a request for a one-day malt, wine, and entertainment license by Reyes Boxing Inc. for a boxing match at the Boston Harley Davidson on Squire Rd. on Saturday, March 15, from 3-10 p.m.

Michael Reyes said he will be bringing in four boxers from Ireland, with local fighters also appearing, for a professional and amateur boxing event. Reyes said that three police officers have been hired and bracelets will be issued to patrons over the age of 21 for service of alcohol.

The commission unanimously approved the application.

The commission also

conducted three hearings. The first pertained to the establishment at 21 Revere Beach Blvd., LLC, Michael Aldi, manager, regarding "multiple reports of neighborhood disruptions from noise and fights, and serving patrons after 2 a.m."

Demick O'Brien, one of the owners of the establishment, appeared before the commission.

"We've been getting a fair amount of complaints about what's been going on," said Selevitch.

O'Brien explained that the problems have arisen since the establishment has tried to expand its business into the late-night hours. O'Brien said that after some discussion with the police about the issues that initially arose, most of the problems have been resolved. He also said that detail officers have been hired on weekends. Police Lieut. Sean Randall noted that since the detail officers have been hired, there have been no complaints.

Occena mentioned that he had visited the establishment on Friday night and observed no issues, but noted that the problems regarding noise complaints appear to occur on Sundays.

Selevitch made a motion to place the matter "on file," which means that it will be subject to review if any further problems arise.

The next hearing pertained to "noise complaints" at Four Partners, Inc., d/b/a Antonia's at the Beach, 492 Revere Beach Boulevard,

The owner of Antonia's appeared on his own behalf. Selevitch said the noise problems appear to stem from doors being left open and the music bothering the neighbors. The new manager also appeared and explained the steps he will be taking to resolve the issues.

A resident of the area who has lived there for two years spoke of the noise issues. "You can hear the noise pouring out of the building, even when the doors are closed," she said. "You can hear the noise throughout your apartment and it goes until after 2:00 a.m. The patrons also hang out afterwards and make noise."

"It is impossible to enjoy our residential space," she added. "We cannot get to rest on the weekends, even with earplugs. You can go a couple of blocks down the street and still hear the music."

Another resident reiterated that the music continues to play loudly until after 2 a.m. "Every business has a right to operate, but not at the cost of the peace, safety,

and well-being of the residents," she said.

A third neighbor who has been a resident for seven years also spoke. "The restaurant always has been there, but the problem we're having is that the place is being actively advertised as a vibrant nightlife in a residential neighborhood after 10 p.m. Patrons are leaving after 2 a.m. and are parking in our building's parking spaces. We are suffering a lot more than just noise."

Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya also spoke. "Their entertainment license is only until 12:30. They are not supposed to be playing loud music after 12:30," said Guarino-Sawaya. "The most important thing for me right now is to shut that music off at 12:30." She also suggested that the side door that is on the same side as the adjacent apartment building must stay closed.

Another resident played back a recording that he had made from inside his house with the windows closed at 1:20 a.m. "I see what you're talking about," said Occena.

"You have heard your neighbors," said Selevitch, addressing the owner. "What are your thoughts?"

The owner spoke about the measures he is taking to reduce the noise, but he also made note of the slowdown in his business. The new manager added that he will work with the neighbors to address their issues.

Occena made a motion to amend the entertainment license as to the DJ, amplified music, and live bands to the hours of Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 12 a.m.; and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. The commission voted in favor of the amendment.

"If this doesn't work, we'll come back and squeeze it a little tighter, and if it does work, maybe give some hours back provided everybody is in a good place and you work with the residents who deserve a good life," said Selevitch in conclusion.

The next hearing concerned the alleged "failure to comply with mandated license requirements and inspection violations" by Squire Revere, LLC, d/b/a Four Points by Sheraton Boston Logan Airport at 407 Squire Road, Stevan Merrill, manager.

Mr. Merrill, who is a vice-president of operations for the company (which operates 90 hotels), told the commission that there is some ongoing construction that led the Fire Dept. to make a request to change

the smoke detectors to heat detectors. However, according to Selevitch, the Fire Dept. has not issued the state-mandated certificates of inspection.

Merrill asked for some additional time to work things out with the Fire Dept. and to resolve some of the other outstanding issues. Selevitch suggested that a firefighter be present on a fire watch detail in the building until the inspection issues are resolved.

However, inasmuch as the city has issued a cease and desist order as to any further work, the commissioners voted to table its enforcement action for 30 days to see whether the company can obtain the necessary inspection certificates.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Among the communications received by the commission in the past month were two from the Mass. ABCC, which gave its approvals for a new Malt/Wine Restaurant license for Que Arepa Corporation d/b/a Que Arepa and for a change of manager for Revere Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Tio Juan's Margarita's Mexican Restaurant.

The meeting concluded with the commission renewing the following licenses for calendar year 2025:

Common Victualler:  
Café Montecristo, Inc. d/b/a Montecristo Mexican Grill, 364 Broadway  
F & J Juice Bar Café, Inc., 76 Shirley Avenue

Mass. Trips, Inc. d/b/a Esquite, 194 Shirley Avenue  
Mass. Trips, Inc. d/b/a Revere Beach Pizzeria, 180 Shirley Avenue

Queen Associates, Inc. d/b/a Twist & Shake, 82 Revere Beach Boulevard

The Delta Hellenic Company, LLC d/b/a Revere House of Pizza, 354 Broadway

Class 1 Motor Vehicle Dealer:

Black Marble Motorcycles, LLC d/b/a Boston Harley-Davidson, 649-1 Squire Road

Class 2 Motor Vehicle Dealer:


Atlantic Auto Body, Inc., 529 Broadway

Charlie's Auto Exchange, Inc., 655 North Shore Road  
Christopher Viarella, Jr. d/b/a Millennium Motors, 190 American Legion Highway

Entertainment:  
Café Montecristo, Inc. d/b/a Montecristo Mexican Grill, 364 Broadway

Parking Lot:  
Park 'n Go d/b/a Park N, 44 Railroad Street

The next meeting of the commission is set for March 19.



**Revere TV**  
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**SPOTLIGHT**

*Black Balloon Day is March 6th and is a day of remembrance, reflection, and resolve. Staff from Revere's Substance Use Disorder and Homelessness Initiatives Office produced a video with RevereTV to commemorate this day. They ask everyone to come together as a community to recognize the lives lost to substance use disorder, to support the families and friends left behind, and to reaffirm the commitment to ending the stigma that too often silences those who are struggling. This short video will be playing on the Community Channel over the next few weeks and is currently posted to all RevereTV social media outlets.*

*In Season 2, Episode 4 of "Northeast Cooks," watch the skilled Culinary Arts students from Northeast Metro Tech as they demonstrate how to bake blueberry muffins from scratch. It's obvious that these students had fun while leading you through making this homemade treat. Join these promising chefs as they guide you through each step, offering valuable tips and expert techniques. Follow along and bring this delicious recipe to life in your own kitchen! Episode 4 of "Northeast Cooks" is now playing on RevereTV and is posted to YouTube.*

*A few familiar faces were in the kitchen studio for another episode of "What's Cooking, Revere?" Join Chocolaffee co-founders and twin sisters Angelica and Diana Cardona as they prepare a flavorful and comforting Colombian dish called Creamy Shrimp Ajillo. Then, discover the art of making rich traditional Colombian hot chocolate. You can enjoy both of these delicious dishes at their local cafe, Chocolaffee, or follow along to recreate them at home! This episode is now playing on the Community Channel daily for the month of March.*

*In honor of Black History Month which was February, Revere Public Schools facilitated a series of community conversations with school leaders, students, teachers, and caregivers. Participants focused on personal and professional advancement, challenges faced, dreams, aspirations, and factors of motivation in the face of adversity. These conversations were put together as a program that is now playing on the Community Channel for the next few weeks. It can also be found on YouTube.*

*RTV GOV is currently scheduled with the latest meetings from our local government and sub-committees. These include the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, RHS Building Committee, Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Zoning Sub-Committee, Revere City Council, and Commission on Disabilities. Additionally, stakeholders from Revere and surrounding communities along with state experts in climate and conservation held an informational meeting about preparations regarding climate resilience in neighborhoods around Belle Isle Marsh. This Belle Isle Climate Resilience Update is now scheduled in the replay rotation on RTV GOV. This meeting and all others covered by RevereTV can also be found on YouTube via your convenience.*

### REVERE STUDENTS ADVOCATE FOR ESSENTIAL ACCESS AT CITY HALL



Revere High School staff would like to extend its sincere gratitude to Ms. DiNolo and Mr. Carlson of the Fem Club, as well as to Ms. Monterroso, for their exceptional support of RHS junior Jaleeyah Figueroa and GMS 7th grader Jameelah Figueroa. The sisters delivered a powerful speech at City Hall, advocating for free menstrual products in all public buildings in Revere as part of a civic action project by Revere High School students. They also want to give a big shoutout to the high school students who wrote letters presented during the public hearing, as well as to Ms. Goldman for her supportive presence.

## Revere City Council approves agreement bringing Chelsea into regional dispatch center

By Adam Swift

The Revere City Council unanimously approved an intermunicipal agreement allowing Chelsea to join Revere and Winthrop in the Metro North Regional Emergency Communications Center (MNRECC).

Since the MNRECC began 15 years ago, Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe said the goal has always been to have three communities as a part of the regional dispatch center.

“For the last 15 years, we have been kind of chasing to get Chelsea back in because it really makes the most sense,” said Keefe. “When you have a regional 911 through the state, there are tiers one, two, and three. Revere and Winthrop operate currently as Tier 2 communities.”

When it comes down to state grants and funding, Keefe said Tier 1 communities, which the MNRECC should be classified as with Chelsea onboard, are eligible for more grant money and resources.

The MNRECC currently operates out of the Revere Police Station on Revere Beach Parkway, and the mayor said it is outgrowing its space from when the station first opened.

“We are in the process

of rebuilding and putting a new regional 911 at the old McKinley School,” said Keefe. “It will be fully refurbished, state of the art, and it will be seismically reinforced, because if there is a hurricane or catastrophic event, we want to make sure the 911 communications and call center is operating.”

By bringing in a community like Chelsea, Keefe said the city would be eligible to receive upwards of \$15 million in grant funding for the project.

Keefe said the communities will also save money by spreading out the overhead for the operations between three, rather than two, communities.

In addition to the 14,000-square-foot regional communications center at the old McKinley School, Keefe said ESSER Covid-relief funds will also be used for a 200-seat early childhood education center at the school. The city is also looking to use federal funds to refurbish the basement as a food hub and incubator in the basement.

“It is a big deal for the city of Revere and it is long overdue,” said Keefe.

Chelsea City Manager Fidel Maltez said the conversations for his city to join the MNRECC have been ongoing for years.

“When I started my role in January of last year, it was one of the first things we got to work on,” said Maltez. “As you can imagine, there was a lot of selling that we had to do internally to our staff and our community. I am very proud that our city council voted on this proposal 11-0, and we are working through the growing pains, but I know this is going to be a benefit to all of the communities.”

Several Revere councilors praised the efforts to bring Chelsea into the regional dispatch center.

“It’s more money for public safety, it’s a huge win for not only Revere, but for Chelsea and Winthrop, as well,” said Councilor-at-Large Robert Haas III.

Councilor-at-Large Anthony Zambuto praised the mayor for his efforts in making the agreement a reality, noting that the regional dispatch center is something he was pushing for years ago.

“The funding we are going to get for this is unbelievable,” said Ward 2 Councilor Ira Novoselsky. “We have an older building we’ve all been screaming about for the last 10 years, and finally, we are going to get some funding to make things happen in that building.”

## Celebrate Youth Voices: Mass Poetry's Teen Spoken Word Festival returns for second year

Special to the Journal

Mass Poetry is thrilled to announce its second annual Teen Spoken Word Festival “Write Here | Write Now | Speak Loud!”, set to take place on March 15-16, 2025, at Emerson College. This groundbreaking event will draw teens from across the Commonwealth, while providing a unique platform for them to share their stories, insights, and creativity through poetry.

With the theme of “Sweet Resistance,” this year’s Teen Spoken Word Festival will feature workshops, poetry slam competitions, performances, and a multitude of activities tailored to inspire and engage teen participants. By providing a welcoming and inclusive environment, Mass Poetry aims to encourage young poets to express themselves freely and interact with like-minded peers. The festival will draw teens from Boston, Lowell, Worcester,

and beyond.

“Our aim is to engage and empower the next generation of poets, sparking creativity and fostering a community that values diverse voices,” said Daniel Johnson, Executive Director of Mass Poetry. “This event is more than just a competition; it’s a platform where young people can confidently express themselves, break down barriers, and engage meaningfully with others.”

Throughout the weekend, attendees will have the chance to participate in a series of enriching workshops, engage in open mic sessions, and listen to inspiring performances from both established and emerging voices in the spoken word community. The festival is designed not only to showcase young talent but also to nurture it, offering guidance and mentorship from Boston’s most experienced poets and educators—something the city sees worthy of

investment.

“Boston is an incubator for artistic talent, including the literary arts, and we’re thrilled to welcome teen poets from across the state to our City for the Teen Spoken Word Festival,” said Kenny Mascary, Boston’s Interim Chief of Arts and Culture. “By nurturing young poets’ creativity, the Teen Spoken Word Festival will strengthen our community and inspire the next generation to become thoughtful,

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the target budget,” said Dakin. “As a result, we have submitted the design development package (to the MSBA) on budget, nothing had to be removed and nothing was added from what was previously prepared.”

The design team is currently proceeding into the 60 percent construction document phase, and Dakin said that phase will run through July. At that point, the two independent estimators will once again work to verify that the project remains on budget before actual construction begins.

“In parallel with that, we are putting site demolition out to bid in the coming weeks,” said Dakin. “There is no new construction, it is simply the removal of the old clubhouse foundations and the dog track utilities under the dog track. We are going to be putting that out to bid in the coming weeks and intend to get the bid wrapped up and approved by the school building committee by April and (at the latest) by the beginning of June, we will be starting the demolition phase.”

During the summer, Dakin said there will be a re-estimating of the budget. He added that the project should also be close to complete with the permitting process at that time, as well.

The project should move forward with foundation

and structural steel construction beginning in August to September of this year, Dakin said.

The final construction documents should be completed by the end of the year, with the rest of the project bid off of those documents, he added.

Ward 3 Councillor Anthony Cogliandro said that since the last time Dakin was before the council, he has had a number of residents ask him about the possibility of making cuts to the project if it came in over the budget.

“My question is, why don’t we do that anyway to save money,” Cogliandro said.

Dakin said the discussion is something that could be brought up with the school building committee.

“Ultimately, we are endeavoring to deliver the project under budget,” said Dakin. “Our goal is to deliver it under budget, but if we want to move the target budget down, I do think that is a discussion with the school building committee.”

Cogliandro said that given the size and scope of the project, there are also concerns about the cost of maintaining the building once it is complete.

The new high school is scheduled to open in the fall of 2028.

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# Forum

## PLEASE: NO PUBLIC OR UNDERAGE DRINKING ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY

With the St. Patrick's Day holiday and traditional South Boston parade approaching on Sunday, March 16, we urge our public safety officials to plan for enforcing the laws which prohibit drinking in public, especially by underage drinkers.

A couple of years ago in the aftermath of the South Boston parade, we found ourselves in the unfortunate situation of riding the Red Line to the South Shore. The trains were packed with highly-inebriated, rowdy, under-age drinkers who were drinking openly on the trains and then flinging their empties around the train cars, striking other passengers. The platforms resembled war zones, with large-scale fights and scores of youths who were passed out left-and-right.

We realize that everyone wants to relax and have a good time on St. Patrick's Day, but that is no excuse for our public safety officials turning a blind eye to underage drinking and drinking in public. In addition, for those of us of Irish descent, the perception that being "Irish for a day" means drinking heavily is highly-insulting.

It is all-but-inevitable that with the high degree of public intoxication that is tacitly permitted by our public safety officials, there will be a tragedy. We urge our public officials to take steps ahead of time to stop this annual reign of dangerous mass chaos and drunkenness.

If officials in many Florida communities have been able to curb the rowdiness of spring-breakers, we can do so here on St. Patrick's Day.

## RAMADAN BLESSINGS TO REVERE

As Ramadan begins, we extend warm wishes to Revere's Muslim community. May this month bring peace, reflection, and strengthened community bonds. Ramadan's spirit of fasting, prayer, and charity reminds us of our shared values.

Here in Revere, we are fortunate to live in a community that embraces diversity and fosters understanding. The spirit of Ramadan, with its emphasis on compassion and generosity, provides an opportunity for all of us to learn and appreciate the rich tapestry of cultures that make our city so vibrant.

Let us recognize the sacrifices made during this holy month and appreciate the dedication of those who observe Ramadan. We hope that this month brings peace, joy, and spiritual fulfillment to all who are celebrating.

During this time, we also acknowledge the challenges faced by many, both locally and globally. Let the spirit of Ramadan inspire us to extend a helping hand to those in need, to work towards a more just and compassionate world, and to strengthen the ties that bind us together as a community.

Ramadan Mubarak!

## THERE'S AN UPSIDE TO OUR LOUSY PRO SPORTS TEAMS

When we were younger (from when we were kids through our 40s), the adrenaline rush from watching one of our local sports teams compete in a big game was something we looked forward to.

But now that we're a "bit" older, the thrill of it all has made us wary of getting too excited, as every long-time diehard Sox, Bruins, Pats, and Celtics fan who has had the urge to throw a shoe at the TV screen can attest.

We thought we were unique in our stressed-out sports-mindedness when our teams lost a big game, but we recently read of a study in the American Journal of Cardiology that found an increase in the rates of cardiovascular deaths (and deaths from all causes) in the Los Angeles area when the Rams lost to the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 1980 Super Bowl. The death rates were higher on the day of the Super Bowl and the following two weeks compared with other days.

In a study of the 2006 FIFA World Cup, the incidence of cardiac emergencies in Bavaria was 2.66 times higher on days when the German team played, according to a study in the New England Journal of Medicine. These events were highest in the quarterfinal, when Germany beat Argentina in a penalty shootout.

Most of the cardiac events occurred in the first two hours after the start of matches, though the numbers were higher for several hours before and after the contests. It should be noted that about 47% of those who had heart attacks already had been diagnosed with coronary artery disease -- which means older people are more vulnerable to the effects of a big game.

So yes, it's been sad to watch the pathetic play of the Sox and Pats (and now the Bruins) these past few years after their great successes in the era from 2001-2019. But the upside to their string of last-place finishes is that we can watch a game with no hopes and no expectations -- and thus no reason to get stressed-out by the outcome.

To be sure, it is not fun to be on the outside looking in, so to speak, when other teams are competing for world championships. But on the other hand, fewer of us will be taken out on a stretcher to the ER.



## REVERE Through the Years

### 10 years ago March 10, 2015

Mayor Dan Rizzo reportedly is set to announce his campaign for re-election this Thursday night at Casa Lucia during his annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner. As of now, he would appear to have no opponents.

For the next eight weeks, 50 graduate students from the Harvard Graduate School of Design will be teaming up with the city to work on the design and development of several areas in the city. Last Thursday Mayor Dan Rizzo, Economic Development Director John Festa, City Planner Frank Stringi, and others met with students to discuss the city and potential development sites. At the end of the project students will present the city with their ideas. Students will review the development potential of Bell Circle, the Necco Site, Suffolk Downs, Wonderland Dog Track and the potential for a commuter rail station, Wonderland Marketplace, Ocean Avenue South, the Revere Beach corridor, and the Beachmont station area.

The city has already cleaned up one blighted property on Washington Street and turned it into saleable condominiums and now is moving to give inspectional services the tools and support to clean up more. Tuesday night the City Council heard a presentation on how Massachusetts General Law 40U can benefit city officials and residents by working as a team to ensure property owners are taking care of their property.

Developers for Waterfront Square are preparing to begin the process of bringing a hotel to Revere Beach -- specifically on the parcel of land on the beach side of Wonderland Station. Joe DiGangi, of EuroVest, announced late last week that the project is preparing to welcome the addition of a Marriott hotel to the beachfront.

Breeders and trainers remain optimistic that the state will approve legislation to allow racing to take place at Suffolk Downs this coming season, perhaps as early as June.

Chappie, Cinderella, and The Divergent Series: In-surgent are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 20 years ago March 16, 2005

Corporal Justin Lally, who recently returned from a 13-month tour of duty in Iraq, visited Ms. Mulligan's second grade classroom at the Whelan School to meet the students with whom Cpl. Lally exchanged letters this past year.

State Police raided the Revere Businessmen's Association building on Squire Rd. last week and reportedly removed six gaming devices from the club.

A total of 58 traffic accidents were reported in the city last week, the highest weekly total in more than a year.

School officials are trying to be creative in finding dates for the schools to make up the large number of snow days that have occurred this winter.

RHS senior Merzudin Ibric, who recently won the New England championship in the 300 meter dash, has been offered a scholarship for a post-grad year at Phillips Andover Academy.

The Jacket, The Pacifier, and The Aviator are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 30 years ago March 15, 1995

Mayor Robert Haas has called for a meeting with state and local officials to discuss the feasibility of constructing a sports and convention center megaplex at Suffolk Downs.

The School Dept. said this week it will increase the amount of lighting around the schools in order to combat the high incidence of graffiti and other vandalism that have been occurring on school property in recent weeks.

Ward 6 residents expressed no objection at a public hearing to the construction of a \$1.2 million meeting house by the Church of Latter Day Saints.

The recent cleaning project of the sewer lines west of Shirley Ave. in order to improve the flow of sewage has yielded a small treasure trove of rings, coins, and other artifacts dating back to the turn of the century.

Water test samples in the city have revealed that at last 10 percent of homes in the city have high levels of lead.

Police Chief James V. Russo said that police officers are making an average of 50 arrests per week, a substantial increase over recent months, which Russo attributes to changes in patrols and aggressive work

by the officers.

Losing Isaiah, Man of the House, and Bye, Bye Love are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 40 years ago March 13, 1985

Police Chief John A. DeLeire unexpectedly filed for a retirement disability this week after a physical exam revealed he is suffering from hypertension, coronary artery disease, and diabetes. "This is a tough, tough job," DeLeire said. Mayor George V. Colella has named Capt. Edward Sasso, who finished second to DeLeire in the Civil Service chief's exam five years ago, as the Acting Chief.

The City Council, after a zany series of votes, jokes, and other assorted oddities, approved by a vote of 8-3 pay raises for 40 city workers. Mayor George V. Colella said he will veto the raises.

With Mayor George V. Colella away on vacation at the Red Sox training camp, a wild session of the School Committee among the other six members of the committee finally came to an end when three members walked out, leaving the meeting without a quorum. The controversy began when member Hal Ford Abrams brought up for reconsideration the question of reduc-

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# Sen. Edwards named Chair of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary

Special to the Journal

Third Suffolk District – March 10th, 2025 – State Senator Lydia Edwards (D-East Boston) was named Chair of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary for the 194th Massachusetts Legislative Session. As Chair, Senator Edwards will also lead one of the most critical joint committees in the state legislature. The committee formerly handles all matters concerning crimes, penalties and sentencing, criminal offender record information, judiciary, including the recall of judges, the salaries of judges, court clerks and court officers of the various courts, probation officers, juries and jury duty, parole, registers of deeds. However, many of the constitutional issues,



State Sen. Lydia Edwards.

reproductive rights, civil rights, the UCC, gun rights have also been referred to the committee.

“I am grateful to Senate President, Karen Spilka for appointing me to this important role,” said Senator Edwards. “The Judiciary Committee plays an import-

ant role in drafting policies that affect the lives of every resident in our Commonwealth. As chair, I am committed to advancing justice, equity, and fairness in our legal system, and ensuring that the voices of all communities are heard as we continue to move forward”

The Joint Committee on the Judiciary reviews a wide range of issues including criminal law, civil rights, family law, and judicial appointments. Senator Edwards, before getting elected to the Boston City Council in 2017, has advocated for criminal justice reform, racial justice, immigrant rights, and policies that strengthen the rule of law while ensuring equal treatment for all residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

## SEN. EDWARDS INTRODUCES CONG. MARKEY AT TOWN HALL EVENT



On Saturday, March 8, at Malden High School, Sen. Ed Markey held a town hall event. More than 1,000 people showed up (above left) to hear Markey. Sen. Lydia Edwards (above right) was honored to introduce Markey to the stage. Edwards said, “At a time when chaos and dysfunction dominate the highest levels of government, we need steady, experienced leaders who fight for justice, equity, and working families. Senator Markey has always been that leader—standing up for our communities, protecting our rights, and delivering real results for our communities. I am grateful for his commitment to Massachusetts and proud to stand with him in this fight!”



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ing School Supt. William J. Hill’s salary from \$68,000 to \$50,000, a move that the committee had rejected by a 4-3 vote last week.

Revere Boys Club Pres. Guy Meli said that the club’s 10th annual telethon fundraiser will be held March 31 from noon to midnight.

Vision Quest, Superstition, and Mutilator are playing at the Revere Showcase Cinemas.

### 50 years ago March 12, 1975

Mayor William G. Reinstein met with other city officials and department heads to develop what he called “a severe austerity plan” to address the looming city budget that could add \$37 onto the tax rate. Reinstein said he believes that the tax increase can be held to \$10.00 if appropriate measures are taken.

John Dwyer, project coordinator for Alba Development’s \$100 million Revere Beach project, said he anticipates a groundbreaking in the fall. However, zoning changes are necessary before the project can go forward.

The School Committee, acting upon the request of Revere High student Linda Galli, unanimously has voted to ask the City Council to accept a state law that provides for the basic Constitutional rights of free speech and freedom of assembly for students.

The State Fire Marshal is investigating a fire that destroyed the Ace of Clubs Friday morning that caused \$50,000 in damage. The Broadway nightspot had been one of the most popular clubs on the No. Shore since its opening two years ago.

Alan Arkin and James Caan star in Freebie and the Bean at the Kincade Theatre in Winthrop.

### 60 years ago March 18, 1965

City Councillor Peter Brandano stunned his colleagues Monday night by announcing his resignation to devote more time to his family and business. Charles Bellinfante, who finished seventh in the election, is next in line for the post.

The City Council rejected a move to increase the number of wards in the city from five to seven.

James Franciscus stars in Young Blood Hawks at the Revere Theatre. James Stewart, Brigitte Bardot, and Fabian star in Dear Bri-

gitte at the Revere Drive In.

### 70 years ago March 17, 1955

The School Committee has voted 4-3 to name Arthur Statuto, former Notre Dame and pro football star, as the new head coach of the RHS football team at a salary of \$1000. He also was hired as a high school teacher and will receive a \$3500 salary for that post. A motion to reappoint Silvio Cella as RHS head coach was defeated on a 2-2 vote. Statuto graduated from Saugus High where he led Saugus to a one-point win over Revere in 1942 that cost Revere, which otherwise was undefeated that season, the Class B title. After serving in the war, Statuto, a center, played at Notre Dame for four years under head coach Frank Leahey, winning two national championships. Upon graduating in 1948, he played pro football for two years with Buffalo of the All-American Conference and one season with the Los Angeles Rams of the National Football League. Statuto said he favors the T-formation, but that if a suitable quarterback cannot be found, he will use the single wing.

A gunman and a companion robbed two gas stations at 413 Beach St. and 219 Lee Burbank Highway of \$159 this week.

The City Council has lodged a formal protest with the Mass. Dept. of Commerce for not including Revere as a vacation destination in a film made by the department touting the Bay State’s vacation areas.

The School Committee will take up the issue of whether to require that teachers must be city residents, similar to the residency requirement for police and firefighters.

School officials are considering using Paul Revere Stadium for high school graduation exercises because the Revere Theatre stage no longer will be suitable for that purpose with the recent installation of a new, wide screen.

William Holden and Grace Kelly star in The Bridges at Toko Ri at the Revere Drive In. Glenn Ford stars in The American at the Revere Theatre.

### 80 years ago March 15, 1945

War brought sorrow to another Revere family this week with announcement by the War Dept. that Pfc. Seymour Allen Molin, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Molin of 51 Nahant Ave., was killed in action in

Germany on March 1.

Two local brothers, Harry and Americo Coppola, 24 and 26, of 19 Essex St., are fighting together with the Marines in the fierce battle of Iwo Jima.

Mrs. Helene Paragone of 311 Revere St. received the coveted honor of the Air Medal that was awarded to her son, Sgt. Christopher Paragone, 19, who has been missing in action over Germany since August 25.

Mayor Ray Carey has promoted three sergeants to the rank of lieutenant in the Police Dept., Colin A.W. Gillis, Philip T. Gallo, and James F. Dooley.

Three Revere soldiers, all First Lieutenants, have been awarded the Bronze Star for heroism. Ross Barzelay was cited for leading fierce assaults upon enemy positions that resulted in the capture of 23 German soldiers. Franklin H. Jacobson, a doctor, was cited for his expeditious care of wounded soldiers in the Philippines in the face of enemy sniper and artillery fire. Sidney R. Attenburg was cited for crawling within 300 yards of an enemy position where the enemy was massing and then directing such accurate artillery fire at them that they withdrew from their planned attack positions. His bravery and technical skill resulted in the destruction of one-half of an enemy company.

Announcement was made this week that Lieut. John W. Mastracci, 41, who is serving with the Merchant Marine, is missing in action.

Parishioners of St. Anthony’s Church were saddened this week to learn that Rev. Daniel J. Taglio, who has served as their popular and beloved curate for the past nine years, has been reassigned by Archbishop Richard J. Cushing to a parish in Newton.

Bing Crosby, Betty Hutton, and Sonny Tufts star in Here Come the Waves at the Revere and Boulevard Theatres.

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gation into their deaths.

The statement from the families also aimed to tell the world about the “girls we knew and loved,” as related below:

Imane was a radiant spirit, and a beacon of kindness. She embraced life wholeheartedly, cherishing every soul that shared the journey with her. With her infectious smile, sparkling wit, and an unwaveringly optimistic heart, Imane illuminated every space she graced. Her friends often remarked that her presence was like a warm, comforting light, guiding them through even the darkest of times. She had a unique ability to listen deeply, making everyone feel heard and valued. Whether it was spending time with friends and family, engaging with her community, or simply her day-to-day life, Imane poured her heart into everything she did. Her laughter was contagious, and her stories were filled with humor and wisdom, leaving those around her both entertained and inspired. Imane’s excitement for life was matched only by her compassion for others, making her a cherished friend and an irreplaceable part of the community. She was our greatest love and we will miss her every day for the rest of our lives. Until we meet again in Jannah (paradise) Insha’ Allah (God Willing).

Kaoutar was more than just a daughter, a sister, an aunt and a friend — she was the light in our lives, someone whose kindness and warmth touched everyone

she met. As the youngest daughter of four siblings, she held a special place in our family, bringing joy, laughter, and love into our home every single day. She was compassionate, caring, and deeply devoted to those she loved. Her heart was full of generosity, always putting others before herself and offering a listening ear, a comforting word, and unwavering support. She was a college student and worked as a residential support staff in a group home for troubled youth. Aspiring to join the police force, she eagerly awaited her opportunity to attend the police academy orientation. She was planning to visit Morocco with her parents in the summer. Before leaving for her flight, she prayed fajr (morning prayer for Muslims) and expressed to our mother how afraid she is of flying. We cannot put into words the depth of our grief and the void that Kaoutar’s passing has left in our hearts.

With heavy hearts, we mourn the passing of our beloved Wafae. She just turned 26 this month, she was full of life, dreams, and unwavering faith. Her name, meaning faithfulness and loyalty, was a true reflection of who she was — honest, kind, and deeply devoted to the people she loved. Wafae was a bright mind with a passion for women’s health.

As a research technician at Massachusetts General Hospital, she dedicated herself to reproductive rights and was committed to making a difference in an area often overlooked in healthcare. She was so proud to have recently co-authored a journal article that she had been working on for months, hoping that her contributions would help women around the world. Just days before her passing, Wafae visited her older sister in North Carolina, spending time with her beloved niece and nephew. They will always remember her reading “Beauty and the Beast” in their playhouse, singing silly songs, and playing together at the park. She was their fun, loving aunt — the one who made every moment special. Wafae was also on a personal journey of faith, planning to wear the hijab this Ramadan alongside her younger sister. She prayed daily and had been translating the Quran into English, deepening her understanding and connection to her beliefs. To our mother, Wafae will always be the daughter who gifted her “forever flowers,” a symbol of the love and kindness she carried in her heart. To all who knew her, she was caring, funny, humble, and incredibly giving. She was a light in our lives, taken too soon. She will be deeply missed.

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### CELEBRATING READ ACROSS AMERICA AT REVERE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Read Across America Day was celebrated at the Revere Public Library. Kids

of all ages and their families came to enjoy arts and crafts, face painting, and learn that reading is fun.



Makeup artist Olivia Gionet stands ready to make some childrens' face painting dreams come true.



Julian with mom Johanna and asst Librarian Krystee Maniscalco.



Shown above, Young reader Isaiah is happy at the face painting skills of Olivia Gionet. Shown to the right, Willow Parent is cheered when she sees the face painting work of Olivia Gionet.



Children and parents gather to hear Revere City Councilor Angela Guarino-Sawaya read How To Catch A Leprechaun.



Kids and parents work hard at the arts and crafts table together.



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Maye shows off her exciting face painting.



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League' course will be held Thursday, April 3, 2025 from 6:00 - 7:30pm at the George Colella Community Center (176 Garfield Ave). Community members can sign up at this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/d6jm-V7afuX>. Class schedules can be viewed on the Public Health website, the City of Revere Events calendar or by calling the Public Health Department at 781-485-8486.

Adrienne Maguire, Emergency Preparedness Manager, commented, "Revere's residents need to be prepared for all types of emergencies, but becoming prepared takes time and commitment. The Pub-

lic Health Department is thrilled to introduce its newest program, the 'Lifesavers League,' to help all Revere

families become better prepared for medical emergencies, fires, floods, or any other type of disaster."

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### READ ACROSS AMERICA AROUND REVERE



Claudia Correa, Chief of Staff for Mayor Patrick Keefe, reads to First-Grade class at Whelan school.



State Rep. Jessica Giannino reads to students at the Whelan School.

### Revere and Everett Students gain vital job skills at Triangle Workshop

Special to the Journal

Last week (March 3-6), Triangle, Inc., a 54-year-old Malden disability services provider, hosted eight high school students from Revere and Everett for a four-day workshop series focused on employment skills. This unique opportunity is funded by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) with the near unanimous support of our local State House delegation as part of a larger program that funds more than five workshop series throughout eastern Massachusetts. Sessions include both classroom and community-based learning that help students with disabilities explore potential careers, develop resumes, practice interviewing skills, and general professionalism.

Last week's workshop series was hosted by Triangle's Prism Program in Malden, a program that works exclusively with autistic young adults by providing customized services in a judgement-free zone that fosters a strong community amongst members. While participating in the workshop series, autistic students from Revere and Everett gained familiarity with the materials and built a foundation of employment success that they will carry with them.

"This program is extremely productive and effective for students with an autistic diagnosis. Interacting with other students and facilitators with common goals of implementing 'real life' scenarios for our students reinforces skills that are necessary for job opportunities as our students navigate through high school and transition into the 'real world,'" said Dr. Maureen Johnson, a Special Education and Life Skills teacher from Everett. "The use of a curriculum designed for the



Triangle Curriculum Developer Charlie Warren (in green cap) is pictured with high school students from Revere and Everett during a four-day workshop series focused on employment skills held at Triangle, Inc.'s Prism program in Malden.

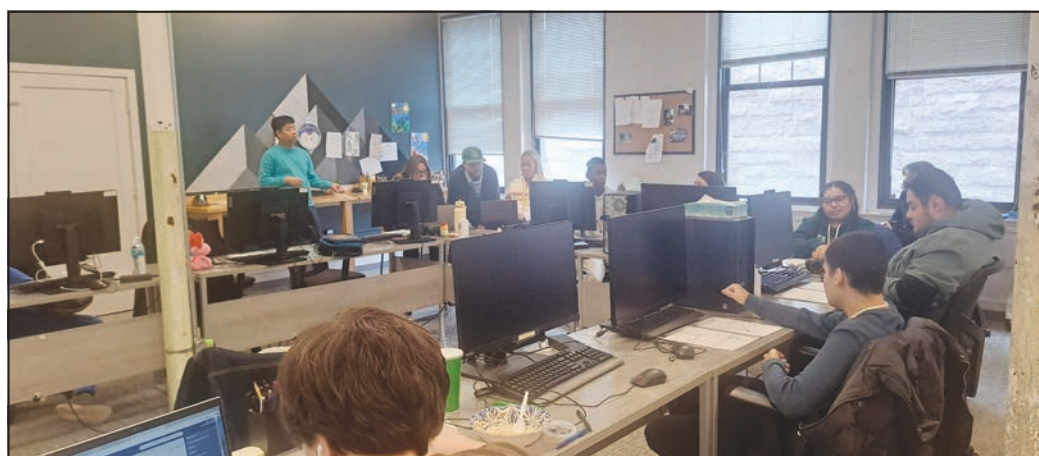
abilities of our Life Skills students supports their comprehension of the instruction presented during the four-day job training program."

"Last week's workshop series at our Prism Program is a huge win for everyone," says Rachel Kaprielian, Triangle, Inc.'s CEO. "For students, they gain a boost im-

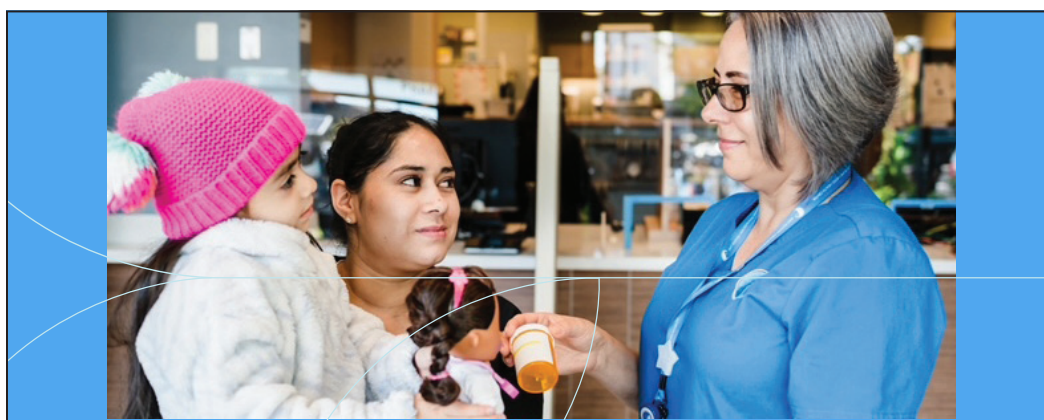
mediately on their pathway to employment and adulthood as we work towards our mission of getting people with disabilities jobs as early in life as possible."

The needs of autistic students are unique when compared to other groups. Triangle's Prism Program was designed with those needs in mind. "Our programs are all

designed to engage learners where they are at on their pathway and strongly take their personal goals into account," said Travis Dion, Director of Autism Services at Triangle. "Collaborating with local schools is a great opportunity to extend our unique model of programming to more learners at a younger age."



High school students from Revere and Everett attend a four-day workshop series focused on employment skills held at Triangle, Inc.'s Prism program in Malden. The workshops were funded by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).



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### Ronald R. Accettullo, Sr.

Longtime C-Notes Keyboardist and Accordionist

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend a Graveside Service on Tuesday, March 18th at 1:30 p.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery, 302 Elm St., Everett, for Ronald R. Accettullo, Sr., who passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, March 5th at the Everett Rehabilitation & Nursing Center in Everett. He was 81 years old.

Ronnie was born on March 28, 1943 in Revere to his late parents, Joseph and Esther (DeYeso) Accettullo. He was raised and educated in Revere along with his brothers and sister. Ronnie was a graduate of Revere High School, Class of 1960.

Ronnie's passion was music. He was able to pursue and work doing what he loved, playing music. A keyboardist and accordionist for many years, he was a member of the band, "The C-Notes." He and his band would play in many lounges and clubs on the North Shore, specifically The Copa Lounge and the Yankee Club as well as at many other venues and events. During this time, he married his love, Diane K. (Cronin) on April 25, 1970. Ronnie was also blessed with being the father of his two sons, Ronnie, Jr. and Corey.

Ronnie lived most of his life in Revere and it was



where he raised his children. Ronnie enjoyed being with his family and listening to music.

He was the beloved husband of 54 years to Diane K. (Cronin) Accettullo of Malden; the loving father of Ronald R. Accettullo, Jr. and his wife, Emalee and Corey J. Accettullo, all of Malden; the dear brother of Marian Maffeo of Revere, and the late Anthony and Joseph Accettullo. He is also lovingly survived by several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. The staff at Vertuccio, Smith and Vazza Beechwood Home for Funerals is most honored to have assisted the family in completing funeral arrangements.

For online condolences, please visit us at [www.vertuciosmithvazza.com](http://www.vertuciosmithvazza.com).

### Mary Sozio Kelley

Known for her fiercely independent spirit

Mary Sozio Kelley, a lifelong resident of Revere, passed away peacefully at the age of 95 after bravely battling a recurrence of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Mary was born on May 20, 1929, to the late Luigi Sozio and Michelina Imperato Sozio. She was the loving sister of the late Chuck Sozio and his wife, Patricia Sozio of Wakefield, as well as the late Anthony Sozio of Revere. Mary is also survived by her sister, Irene Giuffrida of Lynnfield, along with the late Frank Giuffrida.

Known for her fiercely independent spirit, Mary cherished her relationships with her nieces—Tina (Giuffrida) Primavera and Gina Giuffrida, both of Lynnfield, and Lorraine Logan. Although Mary wished for children of her own, she loved her nieces like her own daughters and took great joy in being a part of their lives. She was a beloved great-aunt to Francesca Primavera Borthwick, Caterina Primavera, Gemma Primavera, Robert Noto, Evelyn Noto, Jack Logan, and Jesse Logan.

Mary was known for her unfiltered comments; she never held back her opinions and always spoke her mind. Her candidness and humor made her a cherished friend to many. Remark-



ably, Mary remained active up until the last two months of her life, exemplifying her vibrant spirit.

Mary was employed by Herb Connolly Auto Sales, where one of the salesmen taught her to drive, leading her to purchase her first car. She continued to drive until the end of her life. Mary was also one of the earliest switchboard operators trained by Bell Telephone, known as "Ma Bell." Throughout her career at Index, she served as a switchboard operator and receptionist, earning the affectionate title of "The Voice of Index." After retiring from Index in the early 1980s, she briefly worked at Sozio Appliance Headquarters, supporting her beloved brother Chuck.

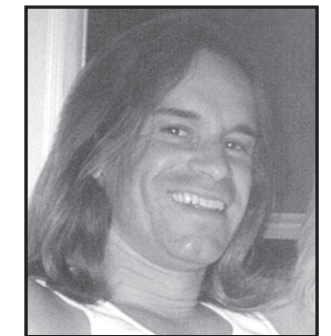
Travel was a passion for Mary; she cherished trips to San Diego with her niece and enjoyed numerous cruises with friends whenever possible. Mary shared a special bond with her dearest friend Dody, who was a testament to a true friend throughout the years in good times and bad. They always had fun together, even amidst doctor appointments and Dody was a constant source of security for Mary during her journey.

Her funeral service will be held at Paul Buonfiglio and Sons Funeral Home, 128 Revere St., Revere, on Friday, March 14 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at Saint Anthony's Church in Revere at 11 a.m. Family and friends are cordially invited to attend. Interment will take place at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Mary's legacy of love, friendship, and resilience, coupled with her spirited personality and unapologetic humor, will forever be remembered by all who knew her.

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We can not send a birthday card, your hands we cannot touch but, God will take our prayers to the one we love so much.

Remembered today and everyday by Mom, family & friends. We love you. Happy Birthday.

### Cecile "Ceil" Tenovsky

Of Revere

Cecile "Ceil" (Sirota) Tenovsky of Revere died peacefully on March 7.

The beloved wife of the late Norman Tenovsky, she was predeceased by her two children Scott and Marci. The loving daughter of the late Abraham Sirota and the late Gertrude (Caras) Sirota, she was the dear sister of Judy Stein and her husband, Jerry and their two sons Todd and David; loving cousin of Anita Rose and her children, Cheryl, Michael, Jeffrey and David; beloved aunt of Karen Pettigrew and her husband, Chris and their family; cherished friend of

Marilyn "Mally" and Mark Petrucelli, Denise and John DeStefano, Amy and Jermaine Bellard and Margaret "Sis" Paolucci.

Services were held at the Torf Funeral Chapel, 151 Washington Ave., Chelsea, on Tuesday, March 11. Burial was in Sudilkov Cemetery in Everett. Donations in her memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. For online guestbook, please visit the funeral home website: [www.torffuneralservice.com](http://www.torffuneralservice.com).

### David Moore

A man who made people feel seen, heard and most importantly, loved

It is with both sadness and celebration that we remember the life of David Moore, who passed away on March 5, 2025, at the age of 75.

He was born in Chelsea on July 17, 1949 to the late James Moore and Margaret (Clark) David, fondly known as Dave, was a beacon of humor and kindness, casting a warm and inviting light on everyone who had the pleasure to know him. His life was marked by a contagious spirit of joy, his laughter echoing in the hearts of those who survive him. As the poet Maya Angelou once said, "People will forget what you said, but people will never forget how you made them feel." This could not be truer for David, a man who made people feel seen, heard, and most importantly, loved.

David graduated from Chelsea High class of 1967 and received a bachelor's degree in education from Boston State College. David was a thoughtful and compassionate man who dedicated his life to his profession as an underwriter in the insurance industry. Despite his commitment to his career, he never let work overshadow the things he cherished most. His love for home decorating was a testament to his vibrant personality, with every room in his residence in Revere, reflecting his unique style.

He had a particular fondness for plants and flowers, nurturing each one with the same loving care he extended to those around him. David's devotion to his late mother, Margaret Moore, was palpable; he carried her



memory in every sunflower he nurtured, every room he decorated, and every life he touched.

David is survived by his sister, Carol Csongor and her late husband, Frank of Danvers, brother, Edward "Ted" Moore and his wife, Goldie of Saugus, and Janie Moore of Rhode Island and the late James "Jimmy" who will remember him as a loving brother, a funny companion, and a thoughtful confidante. He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

As we bid farewell to David, let us remember the words of Albert Schweitzer, "The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve." David found his happiness in service - to his family, his friends, his work, and even his plants.

A Visitation will be held for Dave on Friday, March 21 at the Paul Buonfiglio & Sons Funeral Home, 128 Revere St., Revere from 9 to 11 a.m. followed by a Prayer Service in the Funeral Home at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery.

We invite you to leave your memories and upload photos of David to his memorial page at [www.buonfiglio.com](http://www.buonfiglio.com). Each shared memory serves as a testament to his life, a celebration of his spirit, and a comfort to those he leaves behind. Let us remember David Moore, not with sorrow, but with the joy and laughter he brought into our lives.



**Pamela "Penny" Testa Ciampi**

3/17/2014

Loved and Missed by all,  
James & Michelle and  
Dominic, David &  
Nychola, Veronica & Bob  
and Luca

- One Year Memoriam -

### Kimberly "Kim, Kimbie" Goodrich

Jan. 14, 1980 — Mar. 3, 2024

Born in Boston on January 14, 1980. She grew up in Chelsea and Revere. She graduated from Revere High School in 1998 with her best friends, Walter and Erica. She enjoyed dance, skating and karate lessons. Kim worked for Mass Bay Lines and it was the best job as she so enjoyed working on the boats, meeting people and many friends that she made along the way.

Kim lived a fulfilling life amidst her illness.

She enjoyed going to her happy place, Disney World, New York holiday trips, stays at hotels and eating at so many of her favorite restaurants along with cooking, baking and decorating her beautiful home. She had the best team of doctors - Dr. Potter, Dr. Dan Dr. Yeh and nurses - Icca, Karen, Colleen, Joanne, Rebecca and Siobhan her palliative care social worker who shared in her journey and all became her best friends.

The day you left it felt like the world lost its color. The skies seemed dimmer, the air heavier, and the beauty of life turned to ash. But in the quiet moments, as the pain settled deep in my chest, I realized something: your love left traces everywhere.

Grief isn't just the absence of you - it's



the overwhelming presence of everything you were. Every laugh we shared, every embrace, every moment we thought would last forever - it's an echo now, not in the noise of the world, but in the stillness of my heart.

Though the colors feel faded, I see you in the small things, a butterfly that dances in the sunlight, the way the wind brushes past my cheek, and the warmth of a fading sunset. It's like you're reminding me that you're still here, just in a different way.

Grief is love transformed and I carry it with me every single day. You may be gone but your light will always linger in the shadows painting the world in hues only my heart can see.

You will never be forgotten, you're still the colors of my life, even if they shine differently now.

You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure.

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# OBITUARIES

## Debra Mae 'Dixie' Richard Of Malden

Debra Mae "Dixie" Richard, 68, passed away on March 8, 2025, in Winthrop, Massachusetts. The daughter of Gene and Lenora (Bradley) Richard. Debra was born and raised in Malden. She lived a life filled with love, laughter, and cherished moments with family and friends.



Debra worked as a Hearings Officer for the Registry of Motor Vehicles in Boston before retiring in 2021. Beyond her professional life, Debra found joy in simple pleasures and treasured traditions and will be remembered by many as "the life of the party". She loved spending Tuesday nights with the girls, creating intricate diamond art pieces, soaking up the sun at the beach, dancing to her favorite tunes, and hosting lively card nights filled with laughter, camaraderie, and mimosas. These moments, and everyone she shared them with, brought her immense happiness.

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She is lovingly remembered by her children: Lenora Dever and husband Paul of Wilmington, Jennifer Melanson of Malden, Scott Croscup Jr. and wife Sheila of Abington, her beloved grandchildren Adam Dever, Luke Dever, Aidan Labillois and Jeffery Buckley. She also leaves behind her sister Jean and husband Phil Johnson of Sandwich, twin brother Daniel Richard and Diane Hatfield of NH,

and Gary Richard and wife Lori of AL, as well as many other loving nieces, nephews, cousins, godchildren, and dearest friends. Her companion Michael Behen was a cherished presence in her life.

Debra was predeceased by her parents, her husband Joseph C. Melanson and her siblings Lorraine Keenan, Mark Richard, Thomas Richard and Marcella Richard Araujo.

Her warmth, kindness, and vibrant spirit will be deeply missed by all who knew her. May her memory bring comfort to those who loved her. Visitation for Debra will be held at the Weir-MacCuish Golden Rule Funeral Home, 144 Salem St. Malden on Thursday March 13th from 4-8 pm. Funeral services will be held the following day Friday March 14th at St. Joseph's Parish in Malden at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her memory to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

## Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern MA and Big Sister Association of Greater Boston unite to expand one-to-one mentoring programs for youth

Special to the Journal

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts (BBBSEM) and Big Sister Association of Greater Boston (BSAGB) are merging to expand access to one-to-one youth mentoring programs and resources for hundreds of children, families, and volunteer mentors across the region. The announcement comes after months of strategic planning in which the co-affiliates have agreed to operate as one organization under the BBBSEM umbrella.

"Our innovative approach to youth mentoring, and ability to scale across 150 communities throughout Eastern Massachusetts enables us to play a vital role in the youth development landscape," says Mark O'Donnell, BBBSEM President & CEO. "The merger with Big Sister Association of Greater Boston will help us to expand girls' programming outside of Boston and help to further our collective impact across the region to ensure young people have consistent access to mentorship."

As part of the merger, BBBSEM will maintain BSAGB partnerships and programs, which will give BBBSEM an opportunity to learn, grow, and evolve gender-specific programming. The entire BBBSEM community – the mentors, mentees, and their guardians – will continue to be profession-

ally supported by BBBSEM staff members with access to resources and shared-best practices to continue best in class gender-specific programming, curriculum, and match support. By creating a stronger, unified voice for mentorship in the region, youth will gain access to a variety of support and recruitment of volunteers and partners to the mission will broaden. BBBSEM is committed to building a gender-inclusive community where mentorship is accessible so all youth and families can thrive. To date, one part-time and six full-time staff members from BSAGB have joined the BBBSEM team and nearly 300 BSAGB community-based matches and over 80 site-based matches have transitioned their mentoring relationships to be supported by BBBSEM.

Since 1951, Big Sister Association of Greater Boston has delivered a range of programming to support girls and young women across 69 cities and towns of Greater Boston. Through one-to-one and group mentoring, school- and site-based programs, group and near-peer mentoring, and its New Girls Network, BSAGB has been a leader in gender-intentional mentoring, fostering a supportive community for thousands of girls and gender-fluid youth over the past seven decades. "Both organizations

share a deep commitment to empowering youth through the transformative power of mentoring and I am excited about this merger which represents a significant step forward in achieving this shared vision," says Annissa Essaibi George, Big Sister President & CEO. "Big Sister has a long, nationally recognized, legacy of serving girls and young women in the Greater Boston area. The merger with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts will lead to expanded gender-intentional programming and a strengthening of the power of that sisterhood to more female-identifying youth. By working together, we will create a brighter future for more young people in Greater Boston, equipping them with the tools and confidence to reach their full potential."

In its 75th year of service, BBBSEM stands at its highest point as the second largest Big Brother Big Sister affiliate in the country, behind only the nonprofit covering the entire state of Texas. This year, the organization is supporting nearly 4,000 youth, over 50 percent of whom identify as female. In the past seven decades, BBBSEM has created and served more than 25,000 matches.

BBBSEM is now enrolling and matching Littles and Bigs. The organization welcomes Bigs and Littles

of all races, ethnicities, cultures, socio-economic backgrounds, genders, sexual orientations, and physical abilities. For more information, to donate, or to become a volunteer or register your child, visit: [www.emassbigs.org](http://www.emassbigs.org).

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts is an innovative, energetic organization that is making a real difference in the lives of nearly 4,000 youth annually by providing them with an invested, caring adult mentor in long-term, professionally supported relationships. With research and proven outcomes at its core, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts is working to defend the potential of children facing adversity and ensure every child has the support from caring adults that they need for healthy development and success in life. The organization's vision is to inspire, engage and transform communities in Eastern Massachusetts by helping youth achieve their full potential, contributing to healthier families, better schools, more confident futures and stronger communities. Throughout its 75 years, the largest Big Brothers Big Sisters affiliate in New England has created and served more than 25,000 youth. For more information about the agency and its mission, visit [www.emassbigs.org](http://www.emassbigs.org).

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passionate leaders and storytellers. Thank you, Mass Poetry, for uplifting youth voices by bringing this festival to Boston."

The Teen Spoken Word Festival boasts an impressive lineup of special guests, including both local and nationally-recognized poets such as Porsha Olayiwola, Boston's former Poet Laureate and Emerson College professor, who will be a liaison between Emerson College and Mass Poetry. Crystal Valentine, Mass Poetry's Director of Programming and a former Youth Poet Laureate, alongside Anthony Febo, Mass Poetry's Lead Youth Spoken Word Coordinator and cofounder of FreeVerse!, Lowell's youth poetry slam, will also be present to guide and inspire the participants. Headlining the festival are Hanif Abdurraqib, a 2021 MacArthur Fellow, and Safia Elhillo, a National Book Award longlist nominee, both of whom are former slam poets and will bring a wealth of experience and accolades to this celebration of youth voices. Participants of the Festival include Parker-Vincent Alva, the current Boston Youth Poet Laureate and a Mass Poetry SW@MP member.

"I want my poetry to get across to the world that you aren't who you are, until you try to be yourself," shared Parker Vincent-Alva. "Last year's festival offered a supportive space to share our stories, and I'm grateful for the friendships and inspiration it fostered."

A highlight of the Teen Spoken Word Festival is the Individual Slam Finals on Sunday, March 16th. To earn a spot in the finals, participants must compete in one of three preliminary bouts held across Massachusetts in February and March. These Individual Slam Competitions serve

as a qualifying event for the Mass Poetry Youth Slam team, where selected poets will engage in writing, performance, and slam competitions throughout the summer. Mass Poetry will also send the team to Brave New Voices (BNV), an national youth poetry slam festival, and is actively seeking funding to make this opportunity possible.

Former team member, Maria Zaki said "I joined Spoken Word at Mass Poetry (SW@MP) just over a year ago and immediately was greeted with community. Throughout SW@MP and the Teen Spoken Word Festival, Mass Poetry creates and nurtures connections through poetry by holding space for youth voices. At SW@MP I not only found ways to express myself but also grow with others through examining the world around us and how we can change it. I was honored to join the Mass Poetry team of youth poets going to Brave New Voices! This entailed weeks of practices and coaching that truly shaped me as an individual. After BNV I went off to college but the experiences never left me. I went on to host open mics and lead a few workshops out of state. I saw how writing brings relief and revolution to any space and though I have much to learn, Mass Poetry gave me the knowledge I now bring everywhere I go. I am excited to return for the 2025 Teen Festival!"

The Teen Spoken Word Festival held at Emerson College is open to all teens to participate, ages 13 – 19, with a passion for poetry. Additionally, all ages are welcome to attend as audience members to cheer on the youth in their Festival events. Mass Poetry invites young poets and their supporters to join this vibrant celebration of youth cre-

ativity and expression. For more information and to register for the Write Here | Write Now | Speak Loud! Teen Spoken Word Festival, visit [masspoetry.org/teen-spoken-word-festival](http://masspoetry.org/teen-spoken-word-festival).

Launched with the 2008 Massachusetts Poetry Festival, Mass Poetry envisions a world where poetry catalyzes connection and understanding. From our in-school poetry residencies to innovative community programs, we aim to build a vibrant, inclusive community that lifts all voices. Mass Poetry now serves as an arts-partner-in-residence at GrubStreet's Center for Creative Writing.

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## Dial It In!

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Recipes are not infallible. If you spend a lot of time cooking from or brainstorming with recipes, you'll find a few reliable sources and many that are not as trustworthy. However, even recipe developers who produce well-measured, fully-explained, and reliable recipes can't consider a few essential factors.

#### Where to Start Adapting

As a cook, you should dial in a recipe, accounting for allergies, aversions, taste, and even what you have on hand. A recipe is a starting point or a guideline. You'll find variations in different recipes for the same dish. Read through a few and choose to begin with the one most appealing to you. More experienced cooks

may adjust the ingredients or measurements immediately. We usually reduce the added salt depending on the other salty ingredients called for in the original. We are a no-mayo household. When an interesting recipe calls for mayo, Penny begins by considering whether yogurt, crème fraîche, sour cream, or a vinaigrette can substitute. Ed has a mango allergy; therefore, another tropical fruit will replace mango in a dish.

If you're cooking for someone gluten-free, vegetarian, or vegan or with a special medical diet or cultural restrictions, we suggest you begin with recipes designed for those needs. Today, we are fortunate that special foods are widely available, making accommodating these diets easier.

#### Taste and Adjust

When ingredients like raw proteins are safe to taste, begin working with your tasting spoon. There are sanitary ways to do this. You can keep a cup of tasting spoons nearby and use a new one each time. You can use the cooking spoon to drip some of the food onto your tasting spoon. As your skills grow, you can drip a bit on the back of your hand and taste it.

Be as mindful as possible as you taste, and consider the primary flavors and their balance. We've learned much about this balance from cooking and eating Thai food, where chefs work to harmonize salty, sweet, sour, spicy, and creamy flavors. We add umami to that grouping.

If you find one flavor note dominating or missing, put



Taste and sniff to adjust a recipe to make it your own.

some food in a small bowl and experiment. If sour is dominant, add a dash of sweet. If you want a creami-

er texture, add a thickener or more of any creamy ingredient, such as coconut milk. Once you're happy with the flavor, adjust the rest.

Use all your senses to make the food pleasing to your palate. Remember, flavor is a combination of aroma and taste. Chefs often pull the steam above a pot closer to their noses with an open hand to test the aroma.

Texture is also a factor in food enjoyment. A typical example in our culture is the vegetable okra, which is a bit slimy when cooked in specific ways. Some people love it, and others say, "No thanks."

One of the final adjustments Penny will make to any dish is adding a bit of an acid. Consider what a

squeeze of lemon will do for a piece of fish or a teaspoon of vinegar for a cabbage dish.

#### Family Recipes

Many families have recipes passed down through generations, which are now meaningful traditions. However, Grandma and Aunt Sally may make slightly different versions.

You can decide which you like and then make it your own. Your version may become the favorite, causing the next generation to continue the tradition.

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## MARCH REVERE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES OF THE MONTH



Senior **LIV YUONG** is the RHS female athlete of the month. Liv won three events, scoring 30 points, to lead the Lady Patriot indoor track and field team to the GBL championship and then won two medals at the Division 1 State Meet, setting a new RHS record in the long jump.

Senior **YOUNESS CHAHID** is the RHS male athlete of the month. Youness scored 24 points with second place finishes in the 1000, mile, and two-mile to lead the Patriots to first place at the recent GBL Championship Meet.



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annual Ramadan Iftar Dinner on Friday, March 7 at Beachmont VFW. Special thanks to Assistant DEI Director and RAC Leader, Asmaa Aboufouda, for welcoming the community in to the Iftar Dinner





## GROUP EXERCISE SCHEDULE

<p><b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>5:15AM - STRENGTH - ANGELA (45 MIN.) *          6:00AM - BOOTCAMP - MIKEY (50 MIN.) 2          6:00AM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 263          9:30AM - SPIN - CHERYL (45 MIN.) 2          10:30AM - STRENGTH &amp; STRETCH - CHERYL (50 MIN.) 2          4:30PM - GENTLE YOGA - CORINNE (45 MIN.) *          5:30PM - BARRE - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 263          6:30PM - GENTLE YOGA - MIKE (60 MIN.) *</p> <p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>5:05AM - STRENGTH &amp; CONDITIONING - MIKEY (50 MIN.) 2          5:45AM - POWER YOGA - HALEY (45 MIN.) 263          6:00AM - STRENGTH &amp; CORE - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 2          9:00AM - GENTLE YOGA - HALEY (45 MIN.) *          5:30PM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 263          5:30PM - STRENGTH - ANGELA (45 MIN.) *          6:30PM - GENTLE YOGA - CORINNE (45 MIN.) *</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>5:15AM - STRENGTH - ANGELA - (45 MIN.) *          6:00AM - BOOTCAMP - MIKEY (50 MIN.) *          6:00AM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 263          9:30AM - SPIN - CHERYL (45 MIN.) 2          10:30AM - STRENGTH &amp; STRETCH - CHERYL (50 MIN.) 2          5:00PM - STRENGTH - ANGELA (45 MINS.) *          5:15PM - ZUMBA - VANESSA (45 MINS.) *          6:00PM - GENTLE YOGA - HALEY (45 MINS.) *          7:00PM - STEP - MIKEY (50 MINS.) *</p> <p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p>5:30AM - STRENGTH - ANGELA (45 MIN.) *          6:30AM - HIIT - MIKEY (30 MIN.) 3          9:00AM - BARRE - HALEY (45 MIN.) 2          12:00PM - GENTLE YOGA - HALEY (45 MIN.) *          5:30PM - BOOTCAMP - ANGELA (45 MIN.) *          5:25PM - MAT PILATES - NIKKI (50 MIN.) 263          6:20PM - BRAZILIAN DANCE - MARCELO (40 MIN.) *          6:30PM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 263          6:30PM - STRENGTH - ANGELA (45 MIN.) *</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p>5:05AM - STRENGTH &amp; CONDITIONING - MIKEY (50MIN.) 2          6:00AM - BOOTCAMP - MIKEY (50 MIN.) *          6:00AM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 263          9:30AM - SPIN - CHERYL (45 MIN.) 2          10:30AM - STRENGTH &amp; STRETCH - CHERYL (50 MIN.) 2          12:30PM - HIIT - MIKEY (30 MIN.) 3          6:00PM - GENTLE YOGA - MIKE (60 MIN.) *</p> <p><b>SATURDAY</b></p> <p>7:00AM - BOOTCAMP - MIKEY - (50 MIN.) *          8:00AM - BRAZILIAN STEP - MARCELO (55 MIN.) *          9:00AM - VINYASA FLOW - HALEY (45 MIN.) 2          10:00AM - SPIN - CHERYL (45 MIN.) 2</p> <p><b>SUNDAY</b></p> <p>8:00AM - GENTLE YOGA - CORINNE (45 MIN.) *          9:00AM - SPIN - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 263          10:00AM - BARRE - NIKKI (55 MIN.) 263          11:00AM - SPIN - APRIL (45 MIN.) 2 &amp; 3</p> <p><b>LEVEL 1: BEGINNER</b>  <b>LEVEL 2: INTERMEDIATE</b>  <b>LEVEL 3: ADVANCED</b>          *ALL LEVELS</p> <p><b>RESERVE YOUR SPOT UPON ARRIVAL</b>  <b>PLEASE NOTE SPOTS ARE LIMITED!</b>  <b>\$10 DAY PASS AVAILABLE</b></p>
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### DIDOMENICO FOUNDATION ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION AND ROAST

Embracing the name Sal "O'DiDomenico" the Massachusetts State Senator, of Italian-American heritage, celebrated the coming of the Irish-American holiday of St Patrick's Day with his annual Dinner. The

night saw many esteemed guests from Massachusetts government, each bravely stepped up to the podium to tell some jokes, spread some laughs, and enjoy the evening together. Proceeds from the evening are to

help fund the DiDomenico Foundation. The Foundation offers scholarships and conducts a Toy Drive that helps brighten the lives of many children in the Senator's district.



Massachusetts State Sen. Sal DiDomenico applauds during Governor Healey's speech.



Massachusetts State Sen. Lydia Edwards, who served as City Councilor and later State Senator before redistricting, soaks at the podium.

The Knights Of Columbus Hall in Charlestown was filled to capacity as attendees toasted the coming of St Patrick's Day during the Annual DiDomenico Foundation St. Patrick's Day Celebration and Roast, hosted by State Senator Sal DiDomenico.



Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey and Lt Governor Kim Driscoll take the podium.



Massachusetts State Senator Sal "O'DiDomenico" with elected officials from the School Committee and City Council of Everett.



Massachusetts State Senator Sal DiDomenico (center) with Deputy Chief Of Staff for Governor Maura Healey Marcony Almeida-Barros, Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe, Everett School Superintendent Bill Hart, Everett School Committee Members Joanna Garren and Margaret Cornelio (3rd from right), Human Resources Director Elaine Monge, School Principals Michael McClucas, Paolo Lambresa, and Dave Brady, and Assistant Superintendent Margaret Adams.



Massachusetts Lt Governor Kim Driscoll (3rd from left) with Chelsea City Councilor Leo Robinson, Chief Of Police Keith Houghton, and City Manager Fidel Maltez (2nd from right), Revere City Councilor Juan Pablo Jaramillo, Mayor Patrick Keefe and Chelsea's Matt Frank.



Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey (2nd from right) and Lt Governor Kim Driscoll (2nd from left) with Revere City Councilor Juan Pablo Jaramillo and Mayor Patrick Keefe.

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On Sunday the Winthrop Vikings Double A Squirts completed a 5-0 sweep of the State Hockey Championships to bring home the banner for the U10 Tier IV Small Division. Members of the Vikings AA Squirts are: LilyAnne Barron, Sofia Beutel, Ethan Caputo, Roman Carson, Catherine DiMento, Brady Emanuele, Talia Forbes, Toren Gleason, Alexia Graygor, Jayven Harris, Ciara Mahoney, Mario Marengi, Ryan Murphy, Jackson Stone, and Andrew Yang.

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

### CITY MANAGER'S MONTHLY MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING EFFORTS

CHELSEA - City Manager Fidel Maltez has placed an emphasis on communicating with residents since he took office last year. Earlier this week, Maltez recorded the latest in his series of public outreach videos to air on Chelsea Community TV. The text of his March video, which focuses on the city's comprehensive planning efforts, is below:

Hello Residents of Chelsea, Welcome to our community! My name is Fidel Maltez, and it is my honor to serve as your City Manager.

It is with immense gratitude and a sense of purpose that I announce an important milestone for the future of Chelsea: We have officially launched Phase 1 of Chelsea Pa'Lante, Chelsea Onward – the City's first comprehensive plan since 1970! This is a bold step forward, and we want to celebrate it with everyone in our community!

We invite you to celebrate this milestone at Chelsea Pa'Lante Fest, a community block party on Saturday, March 15, from 2 to 5 p.m. in Chelsea Square. This event will transform Chelsea Square into a vibrant celebration of our city's future, with activities for everyone, from miniature golf and face painting to food, shopping, and an opportunity to meet the people shaping our city's future.

Chelsea Square is the heart of our community, bordered on one end by the Apollonaire Theatre, 189 Winnisimmet Street, and on the other end by our Chelsea Police Station, 19 Park Street. Chelsea Square is a historic place for our community containing Stebbins Fountain and so many of our beautiful arts and sculptures. If you are unfamiliar with the area, signs will be posted to help you find your way.

And to ensure public safety and accommodate the block party's many activities, we will be closing three streets from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.: These streets are Winnisimmet St. at Broadway, Broadway at Second St., and Second St. at Park St.

At the event, we will also unveil the new logo for Chelsea Pa'Lante, Chelsea Onward – a visual symbol of our commitment to moving Chelsea forward together. We believe this logo captures

the city's festive and diverse community and symbolizes both Chelsea's past and future.

I have to tell you that selecting the logo was not an easy process. Thank you to our residents who participated in the logo survey and who provided their feedback on the process. We will have an opportunity for you to meet and discuss about the logo design process with our comprehensive plan Design Consultant, as well as Chelsea's future with the people directly involved in the planning process.

This event, just like this plan, is for everyone in Chelsea, because Chelsea Pa'Lante, Chelsea Onward is a community-driven initiative. It is designed to enhance the quality of life in Chelsea through a comprehensive, collaborative planning process. Pa'Lante, meaning "onward" in Spanish, and it reflect the City's commitment to progress, inclusion, and equity as it plans for the future.

Chelsea Pa'Lante, Chelsea Onward is a plan that will shape Chelsea's future by setting a strategic vision and providing a coordinated roadmap for the community's growth and development over the next 15 years.

The planning process for Chelsea Pa'Lante, Chelsea Onward is almost two years long. We started in January 2025 with the first meeting of our Steering Committee. This committee, made up of residents like you, will guide the process through the end of summer 2026.

We also want you to be a part of this process! We will host collaborative workshops, bilingual engagement activities, and work closely with community organizations to ensure that every voice is heard. Our focus is to make this a true community effort, not a top-down decision-making process.

To stay informed and engaged, visit our new dedicated websites for this plan: You can visit our site in English [www.onward.chelseama.gov](http://www.onward.chelseama.gov), or our site in Spanish [www.palante.chelseama.gov](http://www.palante.chelseama.gov).

We recommend bookmarking these pages, but for even more proactive updates, sign up for our weekly City Hall News newsletter at [www.chelseama.gov/sign-up](http://www.chelseama.gov/sign-up). You will get updates on upcoming workshops, meeting dates, and how you can share your input. We also encourage you to follow us on social media.

If you have questions or want to learn more about the plan, Chelsea Pa'Lante Fest, or how you can get involved, please reach out to Devon Fields, Deputy City Manager of Operations, at [dfields@chelseama.gov](mailto:dfields@chelseama.gov). Devon has been instrumen-

tal in guidance this process and she is the right person in our team to lead this effort.

Together, we are writing a new chapter in Chelsea's story, a chapter where every voice matters, every dream has value, and the future is shaped by all of us, por todos nosotros. I cannot wait to see you at Chelsea Pa'Lante Fest!

We would also love to see you at our upcoming Community Budget Meeting on Tuesday, March 18 at 6 p.m. at the Chelsea Senior Center. This meeting is a great opportunity to engage on our

annual budget, to learn more about the municipal budgeting process and share your priorities with our team.

At the meeting, you will hear from the City's Budget Department and Deputy City Manager of Finance, Michael Mason. The team will explain how the City makes decisions about the budget, give an overview of our past budgeting history, and share our financial outlook for the future.

This will be the first of two meetings about the City's budget. The second meeting will be in April, with the exact date to be announced soon.

We hope to see you there and hear your ideas!

See you next time on Our Community. Thank you and May god bless the City of Chelsea

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## MBTA gears up for South Boston's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade celebration

Special to the Journal

The MBTA is preparing for the annual St. Patrick's Day parade and festivities in South Boston on Sunday, March 16, 2025. With nearly a million people expected to attend the parade, the MBTA is implementing several measures to accommodate the increased ridership and to remind the riding public what everyone can do to help maintain a safe and family-friendly environment. Riders are encouraged to check out the MBTA's St. Patrick's Day Guide for information on taking the T to the parade, how to pay fares, and more at [mbta.com/StPatricksDay](http://mbta.com/StPatricksDay).

"The safety of our customers and employees is our top priority," said Transportation Secretary and CEO Monica Tibbitts-Nutt. "We encourage everyone to celebrate the holiday responsibly and remain vigilant—if you see something, say something. We want everyone to enjoy the Saint Patrick's Day festivities while being mindful of fellow travelers and lending a helping hand to those needing directions or assistance."

"The MBTA takes great pride as we continue to improve daily service and increase service options every year so everyone can enjoy St. Patrick's Day and all the festivities," said MBTA General Manager and CEO Phillip Eng. "Public transit services are essential, allowing everyone alternative ways to safely travel and celebrate. I thank our dedicated employees who ensure that our riders get to their destinations every day. Leave the driving to us and use caution when traversing the system as we all celebrate St. Patrick's Day together."

### Additional Service and Bus Route Detours

To manage anticipated peak ridership and minimize platform congestion, the MBTA will strategically position additional personnel throughout the system to manage crowding, assist with passenger flow, and ensure a safe environment. The MBTA encourages all riders to be mindful while using escalators and navigating stairs during periods of heavy foot traffic. Service information is available at [mbta.com/StPatricksDay](http://mbta.com/StPatricksDay).

Shuttle Bus: The MBTA will provide free shuttle bus

service from South Station to South Boston between 9:30 AM and 5 PM on the day of the parade.

Red Line: The Red Line will operate rush hour service from 10 AM to 6 PM. Trains may bypass Broadway during certain times due to heavy crowds.

Bus Detours: Routes 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, and 47 will be detoured around the parade area. Buses will not stop at Broadway beginning at 9:45 AM or Andrew beginning at 10:15 AM.

Commuter Rail: Commuter Rail trains will run with additional cars to accommodate parade attendees. Additional customer service and management staff will be available at South Station to answer any questions and assist customers. More information about Commuter Rail service on the day of the parade will be available soon on [mbta.com/StPatricksDay](http://mbta.com/StPatricksDay).

\$10 Weekend Passes are valid for unlimited travel on all Commuter Rail lines in all zones on Saturday and Sunday. Riders are encouraged to buy them in advance with the mTicket app.

"Our MBTA has seen so many improvements over the past year. Let's all enjoy the service, and the City, by celebrating responsibly and discouraging behavior that could damage our property or disrupt the transit system," said Chief Operating Officer Ryan Coholan. "By working together and respecting our shared public spaces, we can ensure a safe and enjoyable holiday for all."

"For the St. Patrick's Day parade, our top priority at Keolis is to get passengers to and from the festivities safely and reliably," said Abdellah Chajai, CEO and General Manager of Keolis Commuter Services. "We expect high ridership and encourage our riders to plan ahead and expect longer boarding lines, especially at South Station. I'd like to thank our crews for their hard work and dedication to delivering for our passengers on March 16 and every day."

### Enhanced Security Measures & Safety Tips for Riders

The MBTA Transit Police Department, under the leadership of Chief Kenneth Green, will significantly increase uniformed officer presence throughout the

system to deter crime and to respond swiftly to any incidents.

"We will be working closely with our law enforcement partners to ensure a secure environment for everyone who uses our public transit system," said Chief Green. "We want everyone to remember, St. Patrick's Day is a time for celebration, and it's essential to prioritize safety and responsible behavior."

The MBTA urges riders to celebrate responsibly, leave their vehicles at home, take public transportation to festivities, and follow these safety tips:

Alcohol consumption and/or unruly behavior will not be tolerated on the MBTA.

Secure personal belongings, especially in crowded areas. If wearing a backpack, remove it and hold it at your side or set it between your feet. Leave large items like coolers at home.

Let riders off the trains before you board.

Travel on the T without bikes. Bikes (including folding bikes) are not allowed on the MBTA at any time the day of the parade.

Report any suspicious activity or individuals in distress to the nearest police officer, call the Transit Police at 617-222-1212, or dial 911.

Download the MBTA See Say App to quickly and discreetly report suspicious activity to Transit Police. Using this app, riders can send Transit Police pictures, text messages, and locations of suspicious activity.

Follow the instructions of MBTA Transit Police officers and staff who are there to ensure everyone's safety.

Take care of yourself and others. Seek medical attention when necessary.

The MBTA is stressing the importance of celebrating responsibly on public transit. Vandalism and disorderly conduct can create safety hazards, delays, and additional cleaning costs, which can divert valuable resources away from essential maintenance services and improvements that benefit all riders.

For more information, visit [mbta.com/StPatricksDay](http://mbta.com/StPatricksDay) or connect with the T on X @MBTA and @MBTA\_CR, Facebook / TheMBTA, Instagram @theMBTA, Threads @them-bta, or TikTok @them-bta.

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## Former bank teller agrees to plead guilty to stealing more than \$180,000

Special to the Journal

A Saugus man, formerly of Revere, has been charged and has agreed to plead guilty to embezzling bank funds while working as a teller at a Boston branch of a national bank.

Derek Aut, 28, was charged by Information with embezzlement by a bank employee and aggravated identity theft. He was previously charged by criminal complaint on Dec. 18, 2024.

According to the charging documents, while working as a teller at a bank branch in Boston, Aut stole from the bank accounts of two customers by forging the victims' names on with-

drawal slips, among other things. When one of the victims noticed money missing from her account, Aut allegedly attempted to cover his theft by taking money from the other victim's account and depositing it into the first victim's account. In total, Aut is alleged to have taken more than \$180,000 from the victims' accounts.

The charge of embezzlement by a bank employee provides for a sentence of up to 30 years in prison, five years of supervised release and a \$1 million fine. The charge of aggravated identity theft provides for a mandatory sentence of two years in prison to be served consecutive to any other sentence imposed. Sentenc-

es are imposed by a federal district court judge based upon the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors.

United States Attorney Leah B. Foley and Michael J. Krol, Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations in New England made the announcement. Assistant U.S. Attorney Kristen A. Kearney of the Securities, Financial & Cyber Fraud Unit is prosecuting the case.

The details contained in the charging documents are allegations. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

## Pilot facing sex charges shoots self outside Wonderland Station

Staff Report

A JetBlue pilot who was arrested on sex charges before boarding a flight at Logan Airport last month fatally shot himself outside Wonderland Station on Friday morning, according to State Police officials.

The Massachusetts State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section approached Jeremy Gudorf, 33, of Ohio, in his parked

car at the Wonderland station, according to a state police spokesperson.

While being approached, state police said Gudorf pulled out a gun and shot himself.

Troopers performed medical aid on Gudorf before he was rushed to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Gudorf was arrested on Feb. 20 at Logan before boarding a flight to Paris.

During Gudorf's arraignment last month, the Suffolk County District Attorney's office stated that he was wanted in Huntersville, North Carolina, on charges related to the sexual exploitation of a minor for service.

Wonderland Station and the parking garage were closed for a time on Friday as a result of the shooting and investigation.

## Revere man found guilty of murder in 2022 shooting

Staff Report

A Suffolk County jury last Thursday found Andre Tripp, 36, of Revere guilty of first-degree murder for the 2022 fatal shooting of Antwane Strickland, 31, also of Revere.

Tripp was scheduled to be sentenced on Tuesday before Judge Joshua Wall in Suffolk Superior Court.

On the morning of January 24, 2022, Tripp contacted Strickland to purchase

marijuana. The two met and walked to Strickland's residence on Thornton Street. While outside in front of Strickland's residence, Tripp fired a single shot at close range, ultimately killing Strickland.

The Commonwealth is represented by ADAs Julie Higgins and Lisa Deacutis. Tripp is represented by attorney Jeffrey Sweeney.

"Here we see, once again, the tragedy of gun violence, with one man's

life ended far too early and another man's life forever altered by his reckless decision making," said Suffolk County District Attorney Kevin Hayden. "I offer my deepest sympathies to Antwane Strickland's family and friends and I thank the jurors and the team of prosecutors, victim witness advocates and police investigators who helped bring this defendant to justice."

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### DEMARIA ADAMANTLY DISPUTES OIG FINDINGS

EVERETT - Mayor Carlo DeMaria and his Administration issued a statement in which they strenuously disagree with the findings and conclusions of the Massachusetts Office of the Inspector General (OIG) in a letter sent to the President of the Everett City Council, Stephanie Martins.

In a public letter issued last Thursday, Inspector General Jeffrey S. Shapiro called on the Everett City Council to recover \$180,000 in longevity payments paid to Mayor Carlo DeMaria and to conduct an audit of all payments made to the mayor from Fiscal Year 2016 to present and recover any other overpayments discovered through the audit.

The letter to the city council president also provides details of the Office of the Inspector General's investigation. The investigation says that the mayor and his administration allegedly misapplied the mayoral longevity ordinance.

Mayor DeMaria's and his Administration responded to the OIG's findings, stating, "The City has worked with the OIG for nearly three years since learning of the investigation, producing documents and making City officials - including the Mayor - available for interviews with investigators. The release of a 16-page report by the OIG only two days after Mayor DeMaria voluntarily met with investigators suggests a pre-determined result.

In 2016, during a public meeting, the City Council passed the longevity ordinance in the ordinary course of business, and the City made annual payments to the Mayor consistent with its language. Contrary to the OIG's report, the Mayor did not propose the ordinance, draft the ordinance, or vote to approve the ordinance.

Neither the Mayor nor any member of his Administration engaged in concealment. The City Council received information in multiple years concerning the Mayor's longevity payment amounts, which was included in City budgets posted on the City's website. It was not until the most recent mayoral election cycle in 2021 that the amounts were called into question. Any skepticism regarding the Mayor's longevity payment was spurred by this political campaign.

"The Administration is vigorously exploring options to address the OIG's unsupported and flawed conclusions. "I have worked too hard and too long as a public servant in the City of Everett to stand by while the Inspector General attacks my integrity and the integrity of the members of my Administration," said Mayor DeMaria.

### GSNA SUPPORTS PERCIVAL PLACE/ORLEANS STREET PROJECT

EAST BOSTON -At last week's Gove Street Neighborhood Association (GSNA) monthly meeting, attendees heard plans for a project at 1-4 Percival Place/108-110 Orleans Street and subsequently chose to support it.

As part of this project, which was initially presented to the GSNA in October, Attorney Richard Lynds explained that they want to confirm the occupancy

of six units at the Percival Place building and conduct interior work that includes life safety upgrades.

"This is currently occupied as six units. The record of occupancy is in doubt, and therefore, we are required to go through a process with the City of Boston to confirm that occupancy as a six-unit dwelling," said Lynds.

Lynds also noted that there would be no changes at 108-110 Orleans Street. "There's no expansion of these buildings being proposed. There's no change in the exterior; all the existing conditions are going to remain," he said.

Moreover, Lynds talked about plans for a lot subdivision. "The building behind this building sits to the rear of the lot; the building here at 108-110 Orleans is toward the front of the lot. We would simply incorporate - for lack of a better term - the imaginary line to divide the parcels so these aren't two buildings on one lot," he said.

It should also be noted that there is an existing demolition plan for the 1-4 Percival Place building, and its headhouse will be removed.

Later, Lynds briefly outlined the zoning relief that would be necessary for the proposal but said, "The only relief that we would require is anything that would be triggered from the pre-existing conditions, but unlike a new development project, this doesn't really impact or create any additional impacts to the neighborhood because all of the same conditions will remain."

Eventually, attendees were able to ask questions and comment. One attendee wanted to ensure that the buildings would not be any higher. Lynds confirmed that would be the case and emphasized that the 1-4 Percival building would be lower due to the aforementioned headhouse removal.

Another attendee asked if the buildings were currently occupied, to which Lynds said yes. However, he mentioned that the renovations at 1-4 Percival were not imminent due to the permitting hurdles that still needed to be cleared.

"This particular property owner owns a good amount of units in the area. We have no issue with assisting with relocation and finding places before any construction starts, and certainly, we will work with those tenants in doing that before we get underway with any of the renovations," said Lynds.

Neel Batra, a member of the GSNA Board, followed up on the previous question and asked if the plan was for temporary relocation, where the tenants would be able to move back in following renovations. Lynds indicated he was unsure about those plans but emphasized, "The concept is to not have any evictions in order to proceed with this renovation."

Batra also wanted to clarify why two addresses were listed in this project. Lynds confirmed that it was because two properties currently occupy a single lot, which would be changed as part of the subdivision.

Lynds also highlighted the feedback from the abutters meeting regarding the project. He indicated that many questions were similar to those asked during this GSNA meeting and did not recall any opposition.

One resident asked if there were future plans for the Orleans Street building. Lynds said it could change, but currently, there are no plans.

Finally, Batra wanted to know about the evidence

that shows the 1-4 Percival building being six units because Lynds mentioned that there was evidence that dates back to the 1950s.

Lynds cited the property's building jacket and conflicting references in the building permits. He also added that tenants would say the building has six units, six kitchens, and six bathrooms.

Ultimately, eligible voters elected to support the project 8-2 in an online poll that was open until last Wednesday.

For more information about the GSNA, visit its website at <https://www.govestreet.org/home>. The next GSNA meeting is scheduled for March 24.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOCUSES ON OVERRIDE OUTREACH

Much of the focus of Monday's school committee meeting, barring an unfortunate Zoom bombing incident, was on the upcoming school override vote on Saturday, April 5.

During the special election, voters will be asked to consider a \$3.5 million Proposition 2-1/2 override to cover expected budget shortfalls for the Fiscal Year 2026 school budget, as well as a \$1.4 million override to fund an education stabilization fund.

During Monday's meeting, Superintendent of Schools Lisa Howard highlighted the efforts that are underway both on the FY26 school budget as well as the push to get out information about the override vote.

Howard said there has been a lot of communication between the district, the citizens' override committee, and the town council, as well as the fire department, on getting out reliable information on both the school override and the debt exclusion vote for a new fire station.

"They have a Facebook page that's called Yes for Winthrop's Kids," said Howard of the override committee. "It's a great page because the information that they are putting on there is factual information and they do check with me."

The district and the override committee have worked together to create messaging from the schools, along with the district's attorney, to see what the district can provide for information. Howard said the district can make a bigger push this time getting out information in anticipation of the April vote than it did for the override vote last fall.

The district principals will also be providing information to parents about the vote, and how they can register to vote if they have not done so already.

"Denise Quist (the town clerk), has done a great job at providing information about how to register, how to get an absentee ballot," Howard said. "Where this is a Saturday vote in April, which is the height of wedding season and certainly the beginning of spring youth athletics and co-curricular activities as well as the beginnings of high school activities, so we wanted to make sure that families and voters who don't have children in the schools, that if you do have a wedding, you have the opportunity to do a mail-in vote."

Because it is a local election, Howard noted that there will not be mail sent out from the town about requesting a mail-in ballot, but that residents will have to request them.

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### PUBLIC SAFETY

# Fire drills aren't enough

### Authorities, school officials confront harsh realities of society, prepare for the worst

BY SETH DANIEL  
seth@reverejournal.com

Revere High English teacher Mary Ellen Dakin intended to study "Hamlet" last Wednesday morning, but scrapped that lesson when mock terrorist Thomas Malone of the Revere Police appeared at her classroom to take her and her students hostage.

Malone was part of a much greater operation in which the Revere Police's new Special Operations Unit was practicing for a real emergency. In this case, the drill was entitled "Intruder in the Building," and involved a terrorist or any equivalently-armed character entering the school. Police, the Fire Department, School Department and Cataldo Ambulance were charged with diffusing the situation.

"This is about ratcheting up our security and preparedness," said Police Chief Terence Reardon of the group's first authentic drill. "You have shootings in hotels and



A.J. TERMINIELLO JR. PHOTO

Members of the Revere Police Department's Special Operations Unit perform a live-action drill last week at Revere High — one in which authorities respond to an armed intruder inside a classroom.

judges shot in courtrooms. It seems to be becoming more commonplace in the country and the world. You have to practice for these things. Unfortunately, it's not the 1950s 'Leave it to Beaver' neighborhood we have anymore. This drill wasn't a large exercise, but a stepping off point for us."

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Paul Dakin said school systems need to implement security measures that reflect the dangers

posed by society.

"It's a function of the times in which we live," Dakin said Tuesday morning, 24 hours after a teenager killed seven people at his high school in Minnesota. "There is an element of criminality in our society that dictates how we prepare."

A handful of Revere police officers dressed in all black uniforms of the new Special Operations Unit assembled in the rear of the school

parking lot around 8:30 a.m. They carried unloaded 40-caliber automatic rifles and wore black helmets with plastic shields, bullet-proof vests and a sophisticated radio/communication unit, complete with small microphones curving in front of their mouths.

They went over the school's blueprints and coordinated with fire officials, Cataldo Ambulance

### BUSINESS

# The place was a fixture

### After 60 years, Stearn's Hardware is closing its doors

BY SETH DANIEL  
seth@reverejournal.com

The floor tiles of Stearn's Hardware store are worn thin with the treads of three generations of local men and women on home improvement missions. Sadly, those missions will come to an end soon, as the North Shore Road store is set to close for good by April 1.

Whether it was a U-trap for the bathroom sink, a hard-to-find biscuit joint for a woodworker, clothespins for the lady of the house, or just a good-natured smile, Harvey Cotton, his staff, his wife, Helaine, and formerly, his children, were there to help.

More importantly, Cotton was known around town as the guy who had what you needed. Countless individuals over the last week have told stories of Cotton diving into his warehouse and coming out with a rare, tiny part that they needed to fix their coffeemaker or can opener.

"If people needed something, we've always been able to acquire it for them," he said.

After 60 years of doing that for the people of



SETH DANIEL PHOTO

Harvey Cotton and his wife, Helaine, are closing Stearn's Hardware on April 1. After that, do-it-yourself enthusiasts will have to go somewhere else to buy nearly-impossible-to-find parts — a skill for which Cotton was famous.

Revere, the store is closing on April 1, and the going out of business sale began last week.

"I think it was time," said Cotton last Friday, still busily helping customers as if the store wasn't closing at all. "The whole business

structure has changed. Other stores open and they overlap with what we carry. And, of course, you've got the big boxes that have

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### BLESSED MOTHER OF THE MORNING STAR HOLY NAME SOCIETY ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE



Carol Casey, Brodie Rizutti, Mike Modica, Lucille Shedd, Cheryl Kelly.jpg

The Blessed Mother of the Morning Star Holy Name Society hosted its Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 8, 2025 at St. Mary's Church lower hall. Guests enjoyed a complete Corn Beef Boiled Dinner catered by DeMaino's Restaurant. Musical entertainment was provided by DJ and Holy Name member Ricky Freni and his daughter, Vocalist Olivia Freni.



Gerri Ginsberg, Rita and Phil Russo, Silvio Scaglione, and Louise Viarella.jpg



Cassie and Cathy Bartolommeo, Anna Marie Stanfield.jpg



Chuck Saldi and Ricky Freni.jpg



Dan Rizzo, Steve Fielding, and Ricky Freni.jpg



Judy Zolla, Chuck Saldi, Linda McElwaney, Anthony Carbone, Salvi Ternullo, Torey DeFrancesco, Lee Meoli, Dan Rizzo, Jeanne Conte, Ricky Freni, Steve Fielding, Vin Cammarata.



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Blessed Mother of the Morning Star Holy Name Society members met at The Marina at the Wharf for their Annual Brunch. Attending members included, L. to R.: Chuck Saldi, Ricky Freni, Jim Bocelli, Tom Copeland, Salvi Ternullo, Torey DeFrancesco, Vin Cammarata, and Steve Fielding.



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**Reports to:** Julissa White Director of Leased Housing Management  
**Salary:** \$ 60,000-\$64,000 (depending on experience)

#### Primary Responsibilities:

- Critically review information provided by applicants and tenants for legitimacy, completeness and compliance with HUD program requirements and the RHA Administrative Plan.
- Verify, all household family members, sources and amounts of income and assets.
- Work with HUD-provided reporting systems (EIV), other public agencies, private institutions and employers as appropriate.
- Contact program participants as appropriate to ensure timely completion of program requirements, annual recertification, and interim changes.
- Accurately complete initial, interim, and recertification calculations.
- Understand key documents and publications issued by HUD and incorporate into day-to-day program administration.
- Complete, issue, obtain signatures and send executed HAP contracts to landlords.
- Establish monthly landlord (HAP) payments in the RHA software systems.
- Serve as liaison with current and new landlords.
- Assist, provide information and help resolve landlord and tenant issues relating to program participation.
- Other duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:** Applicant must be organized and capable of working independently and responsibly without close supervision. This position requires the ability to research, problem solve and propose recommended solutions. Excellent oral and written communication skills, including the ability to compose professional correspondence representing the department and the agency. Experience with PHA web software, Excel and Windows Office programs preferred. Must be a high school graduate or GED recipient.

**Contact Information:** Please submit cover letter and resume to Dean Harris, Executive Director, Revere Housing Authority, 70 Cooledge Street, Revere, MA 02151. RHA is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Affirmative Action Employer

### REVERE HOUSING AUTHORITY DIRECTOR OF LEASED HOUSING MANAGEMENT

**Category:** Housing Management

**Title:** Director of Leased Housing Management

**Description:** The Revere (MA) Housing Authority is seeking a Director of Leased Housing Management with Federal Leased Management experience.

The Director of Leased Housing Management is responsible for management of HCVP, VASH, Family Self Sufficiency and Home Ownership Programs.

**Qualifications:** Experience requires: a minimum of 5 years' experience working with leased housing programs, working knowledge of HUD leased housing regulations, tenant relations, lease enforcement, tenant selection, annual recertification, staff supervision, and working knowledge of computerized procedures i.e., PIC, SAVE, VMS and EIV. The Director ensures SEMAP compliance, selects applicants from the Centralized Waiting List, processes Housing Assistance Payments, oversees rent calculations, interacts with landlords, conducts new admissions briefings, coordinates grievance hearings, and oversees inspection of housing units and the FSS program. Knowledge of FSS and Homeownership program a plus.

**Salary Range:** \$86,000.00 to \$90,000.00 depending on experience.

**Instructions:** Please mail resume and cover letter to Revere Housing Authority, 70 Cooledge Street, Revere, MA 02151 Attn: Rosa Garbarino, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper or email resume and cover letter to rgarbarino@revereha.com. This position will remain open until filled. The RHA is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer

**Contact name:** Rosa Garbarino  
**Contact Email:** rgarbarino@revereha.com  
**Contact Phone:** 781-284-4394 x220

## LEGAL NOTICES

### LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Section 40 Chapter 131 of the Massachusetts General (Wetlands Protection Act) that the City of Revere Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at 6:30 PM at Revere City Hall Council Chambers, upon the application (Notice of Intent) of John Nakashian to demolish an existing dwelling and construct a two-family dwelling at 61 McKinley Street. The property is located in the 100 year Flood Plain. Copies of the plan may be obtained by contacting the Revere Conservation Commission.

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Ridge with RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to minimum frontage requirement of 80 feet in the RB District;  
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3. Noncompliance of parcel 5A containing 78 feet of frontage on Ridge Road with RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to minimum frontage requirement of 80 feet within the RB District;  
4. Noncompliance of parcel 5A Ridge Road containing 6,697 sq. ft. of area on Ridge Road with RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to minimum area requirement of 8,000 sq. ft. within the RB District;  
5. Noncompliance of proposed new parcel containing 72 ft. frontage and 7,315 sq. ft. of area on Ridge Road with RRO Section 17.24.010 with respect to minimum frontage requirement of 80 feet and minimum area requirement of 8,000 sq. ft. within the RB District;  
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and Friday 8:00AM to 12:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing via email to amelnik@revere.org on or before March 18, 2025. Ashley E. Melnik, Clerk City of Revere Zoning Board of Appeals  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF REVERE BID FOR BROADSOUND AVENUE COMMUNITY GARDEN BID NO: MUN-2025-1008

Sealed bids to furnish all labor and equipment for the installation of a community garden on Broadsound Avenue will be received at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts prior to 11:00 a.m. on March 27, 2025, immediately after which the bids will be opened and publicly read. The time stamp in the Purchasing Department shall govern the time. Specifications may be obtained beginning Thursday, March 13, 2025, electronically from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Michael Piccardi at purchasing@revere.org. Revere City Hall office hours are Monday's 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM, Tuesday through Thursday's 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and 8:00 AM through 12:00 PM on Fridays. Each bid submitted to the City of Revere must be accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of a bid bond, money order, cashier's check, certified check, or treasurer's check,

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It is the policy of the City of Revere to take positive steps to maximize the utilization of minority business enterprises in all activities administered by this agency. No bidder may withdraw their bid within thirty (30) business days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

This bid is in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 30, § 39M. Michael A. Piccardi Purchasing Agent  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF REVERE BID FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AND INFIELD REPAIRS BID NO: MUN-2025-1010

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### LEGAL NOTICE

Public Hearing Storage of Flammables

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 148, Section 13 of the Massachusetts General Laws that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, March 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber of Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts on the application of Washington Sherman, LLC, 9 South Street, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467 requesting a Chapter 148 License from the Revere City Council for aboveground storage of 660 gallons of gasoline to be contained within 33 vehicles to be parked in a parking garage of a residential development at 810 Washington Avenue, Revere, MA 02151. A copy of the aforementioned application is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM to 5:00PM and on Friday 8:00AM-12:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before March 18, 2025. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org. Attest: Ashley E. Melnik City Clerk  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

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LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket Number: 25 SM 000636 ORDER OF NOTICE TO: Nathalie J. Hurts And to all persons entitled to the benefit of Servicemembers Civil Relief Act: 50 U.S.C. c. 50 ss 3901 (et seq): RoundPoint Mortgage Servicing LLC claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Revere, numbered 27 Flint Street, given by Nathalie J. Hurts to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, dated November 22, 2021, and registered at Suffolk County Registry District of the Land Court as Document No. 928384 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 135334, and now held by the plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before April 21, 2025 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the grounds of noncompliance with the Act. Witness, GORDON H. PEPPER, Chief Justice of said Court on March 5, 2025. Attest: Ashley E. Melnik City Clerk  
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### LEGAL NOTICE

C-25-05 PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Section 17.40.030 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere that the Revere City Council will conduct a public hearing on Monday evening, March 24, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber, Revere City Hall, 281 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 on the application of Master Spray Foam Insulation, Inc., 870 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151 requesting a special permit from the Revere City Council to change a non-conforming use (commercial garage) to another non-conforming use (contractor storage yard) at 870 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151. A copy of the aforementioned application (C-25-06) is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk, Revere City Hall, Revere, Massachusetts, Monday through Thursday from 8:00AM to 5:00PM and on Friday 8:00AM to 12:00PM. Proponent/opponent testimony will be accepted in writing on or before March 18, 2025. Testimony can be submitted via email to amelnik@revere.org. Attest: Ashley E. Melnik City Clerk  
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# City of Chelsea announces 250th anniversary of the Battle of Chelsea Creek

Special to the Journal

This Memorial Day Weekend, the Chelsea community and visitors from across the state can experience a once-in-a-lifetime celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Chelsea Creek, the first naval battle of the American Revolution.

"The City of Chelsea is a grateful recipient of a MA250 grant that will directly fund a series of free, all-ages, community events centered around the Battle of Chelsea Creek over Memorial Day Weekend," said City Manager Fidel Maltez. "The Battle of Chelsea Creek is an often-overlooked chapter in our nation's history, and we're excited to use the State's support to deepen our community's understanding of this pivotal event. In collaboration with East Boston and partner organizations, we will present an exciting weekend of cultural programming, including the docking of a historic 1894 schooner, the SSV Ernestina-Morrissey, for the general public to board."

Jonathan Lane of Revolution 250 said it is inspiring to see these communities come together for such an important event as the 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Chelsea Creek.

"Though these communities' demographics have changed over the past 250 years, the ideals that the Provincial soldiers fought for—liberty, independence, and self-determination—remain a vibrant part of our lives," said Lane.

Genesis Pimentel, Commemoration Commission Manager, said the 250th anniversary of the Battle of Chelsea Creek is an opportunity to honor and illuminate a pivotal yet often overlooked chapter in our nation's history.

"This commemoration allows us to reflect on the resilience and sacrifices of those who fought for our nation's independence while deepening our collective understanding of the Revolutionary War's impact on our region," said Pimentel. "We are proud to support efforts that bring history to life and celebrate the rich heritage of the Chelsea and East Boston communities."

The celebrations will take place in Chelsea and East Boston during the Memorial Day weekend, with a main celebration on Saturday, May 24, from 11:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Port Park, 99 Marginal St, Chelsea, that

will offer an exciting lineup of historical programming and activities for all ages, including artillery demonstration, Revolutionary-Era Militia Encampment, food vendors, a beer garden, and more.

The SSV Ernestina-Morrissey, an 1894 schooner from the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, will be coming back to Chelsea's port after more than two decades for residents and visitors to explore as part of Saturday's events.

Simultaneously occurring with Saturday's Port Park festivities, Governor Bellingham-Cary House Museum will open its doors to the community for free Open Houses where everyone can explore this historical site with special access to the museum's exhibits and stories from Chelsea's past.

Additional festivities during the Memorial Day weekend include a 90-minute guided boat tour through Mill Creek and Boston bay provided by Boston Harbor Now, in partnership with National Park Services, GreenRoots, and the MysticWater Association. There will be an opportunity to sign up for the boat tour as the celebration nears.

"Sharing the stories and commemoration of the Revolutionary War of America belongs to all of us," said Rebecca Smerling, Director of Programs for Boston Harbor Now. "Boston Harbor and its surrounding communities played an integral role in the War, and Boston Harbor Now is looking forward to animating the commemoration of the Battle of Chelsea Creek with a harbor cruise, allowing for a new perspective on this battle and providing additional access to Boston Harbor."

GreenRoots Executive Director Roseann Bongiovanni said her organization is excited to partner with the City of Chelsea and others on a boat tour commemorating the Battle of the Chelsea Creek.

"The colonists won this historic battle, yet there is little to celebrate that victory or to recognize Chelsea's role in the Revolutionary War. Yet the colonists lost the Battle of Bunker Hill and we have monuments and bridges named for it and a holiday in Boston," she said. "It's time for Chelsea Creek to gain the respect it deserves."

For more information and a full schedule of activities, please visit [www.chelsea-prospers.org](http://www.chelsea-prospers.org).



Twenty-eight Revere High students attended this year's Harvard Model Congress, and several picked up awards during the four-day event.

# Twenty-Eight Revere High students participate in Harvard Model Congress

Special to the Journal

Revere High School educators, Meghann Gregorowicz and Tara Mitchell recently chaperoned 28 RHS students to the annual Harvard Model Congress at the Sheraton Hotel in Boston, a four-day event hosted by Harvard College, where students participate in government role-play and simulation events.

The RHS students were among 1,000 students from across the country to participate in the annual event, which is the largest congressional simulation conference in the world run entirely by undergraduates at Harvard College.

"For the past three years, we've been asked to attend the event as a partner school, which means that Harvard pays for all lodging, food and all other expenses for our students," Gregorowicz. "We had students win awards, and all of our students were recognized in a scholarship reception. We continue to be asked back as a partner school due to the hard work of our students and how wonderful they are. We could not be prouder of all of our students for their achievements during Harvard Model Congress."

Among the students winning awards at the Harvard Model Congress were Erta Ismahili, Nour Ashour, and Adam Ashour.

"Harvard Model Congress has provided me with an experience to not only learn but to feel as though students like us have a say in politics. Over the past three years, I've had the privilege of being a part of a Mentorship School and the support of HMC and Scholarship Co-Director Mallory to feel more comfortable competing against students across the country," said Erta. "Through the work, I've learned the value of cooperation, not only in bill-writing but also in learning about different experiences. I've represented Senators from the Midwest and the Great Plains, and through working with others, I've been able to open my eyes to what politics truly means: working across differences to prioritize



Adam Ashour wins the 'Best Delegate' award at the annual Harvard Model Congress.



Erta Ismahili receives the 'Best Delegate' award at the annual Harvard Model Congress.



Nour Ashour receives an 'Honorable Mention' award.

solutions for all people. As I go on to study Political Science, this mock experience has informed how I value diversity in politics."

As a first-year RHS delegate to the Harvard Model Congress, Noor said he only expected to take part in a government simulation, but found the experience much more than that.

"It challenged us to think critically, communicate more effectively, and interact with a diverse group of people from different states in the USA," said Noor. "Harvard Model Congress is not just about engaging in discussions to solve problems, but it is also about learning from each other, getting involved, sharing ideas, and solving problems together, building new life skills that are valuable for our future. I was part of the Historical Committee, a committee that reshapes historical events and acted as Peter Heywood, a midshipman, in the event *Mutiny on the Bounty*. After presenting many speeches and working with others to pass bills, I earned the 'Honorable Mention' Award for excellence in the Historical Committee, a certificate of participation, and a certificate of scholarship for continued passion and excellence in Harvard Model Congress."

Noor's brother Adam, in his third year of attending, was selected to help lead delegates from RHS. At the conference, he played the role of Pennsylvania Senator Bob Casey in drafting legislation

"As Senator Casey on the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, I was tasked with conducting rigorous research on two crises of America beforehand: the fentanyl crisis, and the cybersecurity crisis," said Adam. "Each day of the conference held a heavy debate and, just as importantly, consisted of strategic negotiations, compromises, and conformity to parliamentary procedure, overseen by approximately half a dozen student staffers from Harvard University. I am happy to say that after working hard to perform and draft many speeches these four days and writing legislation in both normal committee sessions and Full Senate meetings, I won the 'Best Delegate' award."

Adam said he earned this award by not only giving impactful and compelling speeches but also working to use the strengths of committee members in ways meant to craft the most impactful, and somewhat controversial, bills.

"In recognition of this designation, I was awarded the Best Delegate certificate and gavel, as well as certificates of participation

and scholarship," he said. "I extend my heartfelt thanks towards my family of my father, mother, and brother, my faculty Ms. Currie, Ms. Gregorowicz, and Ms. Mitchell, as well as all of my peers from Revere High School and staffers and advisers from Harvard for their dedication to this event, upon which the weight of our impact hinges and who have allowed us students to shape the world as it ought to be through our shared voices and wills."

Founded in 1986, Harvard Model Congress is dedicated to teaching and inspiring the leaders of tomorrow. With 39 committees and a 9:1 delegate-to-staffer ratio, organizers can support students throughout the conference as they tackle a diverse array of complex issues and engage in debates, caucuses, trials, press conferences, testimonies, and crises.

"As HMC enters its 40th year, we are confident that it continues to be the nation's premier conference as one of the most dynamic model congress simulations available to high school students. Learn more about our mission and history here," said event organizers in a statement.



Some of the Revere High students during the annual conference.



The Revere High team pose for a picture during the four-day event.



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